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Veteran-owned leather shop flourishing in Wilmington

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — In 2014, brothers Jason and Chris Angelini started a business making leather goods out of their parents' garage in Reading. According to their website, they started the company American Bench Craft out of a conversation they had around a campfire.

As their business started to grow, the pair opened a shop in Reading. It was in 2017 when they were first featured in NewsCenter 5's "Made in Mass" series, and in their most recent story from 2022, the Angelinis said that the business 'exploded' after that.

American Bench Craft now has three owners: Jason and Chris Angelini, in addition to Eric Morton. Morton shared with the Town Crier that he had known the Angelinis since middle school, remaining friends with Jason, and he occasionally helped with the business when he was home from the sea.

It was in 2018 that he decided to switch careers and join them full-time.

In the same year that Morton joined as an owner, the company moved to their current location at 845 Woburn St. in Wilmington. This is where they make, process, and

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▲ Ed Harrison and Kristin Robinson presented their book "Larry the Lobster," which was written by Robinson as told by Harrison, to Wilmington elementary students. (Courtesy photos)

School Committee recognizes top student-athletes

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The School Committee recognized student athletes, approved field trips, and received updates on upcoming events during their meeting on Wednesday March 27.

High school student representatives shared highlights about recent ongoings for students including the Peru trip over February vacation, a Model United Nations competition, a DECA Club competition, World Languages Week, volunteering at the elementary STEM Fair, Wildcat Week with games and themes each day, and the Lamplighters production of Newsies.

Athletic Director Dennis Ingram celebrated a number of athletes recognized for the winter sports season. He identified girls indoor track MVP Addison Hunt, girls hockey MVP Lily MacKenzie, state champion in 500 freestyle swimming Kyla Kelley, state division three wrestling champion Hannah Bryson, and New England champion in gymnasticsbar Alli Ganley. He also thanked all of the coaches and families for their support of these students.

The committee voted in favor of the Band Camp

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Harrison, daughter participate in reading program at WPS

By LIZZY HILL News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — In mid-March, former Wilmington Athletic Director Ed Harrison and author Kristin Robinson visited Wilmington Public Schools as part of the district's "Read Across America" program to present their book "Larry the Lobster" to Wilmington elementary students.

Ed Harrison is a Wilmington alumnus, science teacher, coach, and athletic director, and his daughter Kristin Robinson is a naturopathic doctor, now a children's book author, and also a

Wilmington alumnus.
Shawsheen Elementary
School Principal Lisa
King reached out to Robinson to invite her and
her father Ed to participate in "Read Across
America" back in the
fall. King wrote to the
Town Crier that the program is a nationwide
public school program
featuring events as

weeks, and in Wilmington they try to have an author visit.

"It is a fun and engaging way to support students to find joy in reading at home," she said.

King also mentioned

King also mentioned that she went to school in Wilmington with Robinson, and she found the theme of kindness in the book especially inspiring.

King set up the presentations by Robinson and Harrison for Tuesday, March 12 and Thursday, March 14. Robinson said that she and Harrison visited all six elementary schools in town over those two days, spending about 30 minutes with

students of each grade. They started at the Shawsheen, Boutwell, and the West on Tuesday and then went to the Woburn Street, Wildwood, and the North on Thursday. They would've seen all students in Wilmington from kindergarten through grade five along with their teachers who attended.

Robinson described that she and Harrison read their book, talked about its inspiration and the journey of publishing, and answered questions from the students. She also said they shared about the importance of being kind, which is the overall message of the book, along with a general message of priori-

fection.

The presentation featured props including a giant lobster stuffed animal. They also donated a copy of the book to each school's library so that the students could read them later.

tizing progress over per-

Harrison and Robinson even recalled some of their memories at these schools.

"My dad and I are really grateful to have had the experience of revisiting our former elementary schools in Wilmington," Robinson said.

For Harrison, it brought up memories of taking ballroom dancing at the North and for Robinson there was a picture of her as Student of the Month at the Shawsheen.

Robinson recalled that some of the students really connected with the story, having either a pet or a stuffed animal named Larry, or asking questions and sharing ideas about a sequel.

"It was a fun and heartwarming experience. We hope that our visit has sparked inspiration in some students, encouraging them to pursue their writing or creative dreams," she continued.

King reported the days went really well and it was exciting for the students to hear the story of "Larry the Lobster." Robinson told the Town Crier back in 2023 that she published the story as told by her father. Through this program, Wilmington's elementary students and teachers got to experience Harrison telling the story himself, which is a unique experience from those who simply read the book.

Wildwood MSBA update for School Committee

By LIZZY HILL News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — During the School Committee meeting on Wednesday March 27, Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand shared an update on the Wildwood School project with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

Brand started by saying

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that the Wildwood School Building Committee was coming up on a critical point where they needed to submit information to the MSBA. At their meeting on March 20, they received information about the 15 options being considered for a variety of grade consolidations, building replacement options, and locations.

The consolidations they're considering are pre-kindergarten and kindergarten, pre-k through grade three, and pre-k

through grade five.

The next step for the WSBC requires narrowing down the number of options moving forward for

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Wilmington Library News:

Poetry contest submissions due Tuesday, April 30

Adult Programs

Needleworkers at Night

Monday, April 8, 6 p.m. These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in. This group now meets every Monday in the cozy seating area on the first floor of the library.

The Five Stages of the **Hearing Loss Journey**

Monday, April 8, 6:30 p.m. Shari Eberts, co-author of Hear & Beyond, will talk about The Five Stages of the Hearing Loss Journey and provide strategies for people struggling with Hearing Loss to use for better communication.

Drop-in Tech Help

Tuesday, April 9, 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, 2 p.m. Saturday, April 13, 2 p.m. Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Cookin' the Books

Tuesday, April 9, 12 p.m. If you love to cook and enjoy talking about food and sharing recipes then this group is for you. Pick up a copy of the cookbook (or find a recipe from the book online), register on the library events calendar and record your recipe. Bring your dish to the meeting and enjoy sampling everyone's dishes! April's featured cookbook is Let's Eat by Dan

Craft & Chat Wednesday, April 10, 6:30

Enjoy making a craft while socializing with others! This craft group meets the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. All craft supplies provided. April's featured craft is a Wool Felt Car Air Freshener (Lavender).

Medicare 101 Thursday, April 11, 6:30

Learn the basics of Medicare with Community Development expert Gerald Lodge from Tufts Health.

Needleworkers

Friday, April 12, 10 a.m. This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy a little

CONGRATULATIONS! CONGRATULATIONS!

▲ The annual poetry contest is back! All ages are welcome to submit a poem, written with the theme of Conservation, Earth, or Nature in mind. There will be one winner selected for each age group, as well as honorable mentions. Submissions are due by April 30! All are welcome to attend the Poetry Party on May 15. (Courtesy photo)

conversation and cama- welcome raderie. Drop in.

Guiding Eyes for the **Blind Puppy Raisers** Saturday, April 13, 2:30

This is the first event in a new All Ages series we're calling "Dogs with Jobs!" Come learn about work that goes into raising future seeing eye dogs for the blind.

Youth Programs

Wilmington Community Playgroup

Monday, April 8, 10 a.m. Join CTI for a community playgroup where we'll work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! Ages 0-6, siblings

Solar Eclipse **Viewing Party** Monday, April 8, 3 p.m.

Enjoy solar eclipse activities and snacks for all ages and get a great view of the eclipse! Glasses will be available, while supplies last. All ages

VIRTUAL I'm In, What's Next: After College Acceptance

Tuesday, April 9, 7 p.m. After all the hard work, the acceptance and the financial aid letter have arrived. In this session, attendees will review the differences in college financial aid offers, appeals, how to hunt for scholarships, and the use of resources to finalize a family's financing strategy. The session will review important steps to prepare and protect new

college students - parents and guardians of college-bound 12th-grade students and those already enrolled. This is a virtual program; you will receive the Zoom link on the day of the program. Teens and adults

Bilingual Story Hour

veanesaay, April 10, 3 p.m. The Community Teamwork Family Resource Network is here weekly! Practice using your home language with us! Our staff will be here with an interpreter speaking Haitian Creole. At our playgroup we will work on Early Literacy skills and more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. Ages 0-6 and their caregivers

Girls Who Code Wednesday, April 10, 6

Girls Who Code is an organization that aims to close the gender gap in STEM fields by teaching girls to code. Over the twelve weeks you'll learn about coding, women in the STEM fields, and work together to code your own project. Grades 3-5

Financial Literacy for **Kids: What is Money** Thursday, April 11, 11 a.m.

Join Reading Cooperative Bank to learn all about what money is! For pre-kindergartners

Crafternoon: **DIY Cork Boards** Thursday, April 11, 3:45

Using cork trivets, we will make our own cork boards to pin photos and art to! Grades 4-8

Read to Brandie Thursday, April 11, 5:30 Practice your reading skills with Therapy Dog, Brandie! Sign up for one 15 minute session per family. Grades K-6

Music with Dara Friday, April 12, 10:30

keyboard, felt With board, and finger puppets, Dara weaves songs (old and new favorites) and creative movement for a fun-filled musical program! Ages 2-5, siblings welcome

> **Teen Leadership** Council

Friday, April 12, 3 p.m. Are you interested in advocating for what you want at WML? Have you volunteered before, but want to commit to more? Join our new Teen Leadership Council! Please email srottger@wilmlibra ry.org with any questions. Grades 7-12

LEGO Building

Friday, April 12, 4 p.m. Build with LEGOs at the same time as other LEGO fans and display what you make in the library! Grades K-5

> Additional Information

Book Store Next Door -**Winter Hours**

The Book Store Next Door is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shop discount books! Paperbacks for \$1 and hardcovers for \$2. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Library and all proceeds help support library programs.

Museum Passes

The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list on our website!

> WML In-Person **Programming**

Registration is required for most in-person programs. Please check our website on the day of the program to confirm location. Masks are no longer required for vaccinated patrons while visiting the library.

> **WML Virtual Programming**

The library continues to offer a variety of virtual events. Please note that registration is required in order to receive the Zoom link. Go to wilmlibrary.org to register or call 978-658-

Advertisement It's Your Money by Todd Brisbois



The Internal Revenue Service has warned taxpayers to be on the lookout for a new scam mailing that tries to mislead people into believing they are owed a refund.

The new scheme involves a mailing coming in a cardboard envelope from a delivery service. The enclosed letter includes the IRS masthead and wording that the notice is "in relation to your unclaimed refund."

Like many scams, the letter includes contact information and a phone number that do not belong to the IRS. But it also seeks a variety of sensitive personal information from taxpayers — including detailed pictures of driver's licenses — that can be used by identity thieves to try obtaining a tax refund and other sensitive financial information.

"This is just the latest in the long string of attempts by identity thieves posing as the IRS in hopes of tricking people into providing valuable personal information to steal identities and money, including tax refunds," said IRS Commissioner Danny Werfel. "These scams can come in through email, text or even in special mailings. People should be careful to watch out for red flags that clearly mark these as IRS scams."

In this new scam, there are many warning signs that can be seen in many similar schemes via email or by text. An unusual feature of this scam is that it tries tricking people to email or phone very detailed personal information in

hopes of stealing that information. Presented as a service to the community by

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Annual water main flushing program

WILMINGTON — On day from 8 p.m. until 12 Unfortunately, this work Tuesday, April 16, 2024 the Water Division of DPW will begin its annual water main flushing and valve exercising program. The flushing program will be conducted on Monday through Fri-

a.m. The program will take approximately eight weeks to complete.

Flushing the water mains aids in removing sediments that collect in the pipe line resulting in improved water quality.

may temporarily cause some discolored water but should become clear after running your cold water for a few minutes. The water will remain safe to drink during this program.

If you have any questions or problems with your water, please call the DPW — Water Division Office at (978) 658-4711. We wish to thank you in advance for your patience in this endeav-

News and notes from WCTV

Hello friends and neighbors! Here's what's going on at WCTV!

WCTV hosts a successful **ANNUAL MEETING!**

Thank you to all WCTV members who attended WCTV's Annual Meeting on March 25. Each of you helped make the event successful and WCTV values and appreciates all of you!

WCTV Board President, Robert Hamel opened the meeting talking about all the wonderful strides WCTV has made in the past year and had ample praise for Executive Director Sam Perkins and staff! Likewise, Perkins also spoke about the continuing commitment he and his staff have toward serving the Town of Wilmington and highlighted efforts in programming, funding and future plans for WCTV and its programming and outreach.

During the meeting, WCTV held its election of Board Members and we are pleased to announce the following new and returning Board members who are eager to continue serving as ambassadors of WCTV.

Board President: Robert Hamel

Returning board members: Jim Boyle, Jim Brennick, Gerry Cronin.

Newly elected board members: Dan Buckelew, Judy Cabral-Roque, Katie

Gillis-Ware, Chris Kilburn, John Spencer, Austin Styffe, Rachelle Toth.

Meetings covered by WCTV: Monday April 8, 7 p.m. -Select Board

View on: Verizon channel 38 and Comcast channel 22.

Wednesday April 10, 7 p.m. - School Committee View on: Verizon channel 38 and Comcast channel 22.

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Demand or for more information check us out at WCTV.org.

WCTV is located at 10 Waltham Street, Wilming-

Office hours by appointment: (978) 657-4066. **Questions about WCTV?** Contact: info@wctv.org.



THE MILITARY HISTORY OF DONALD A. LINSCOTT, JR.

▲ Don Linscott (center front row), surrounded by some of his friends and local veterans, listened to them sing a rousing version of Happy Birthday on the occasion of his centennial. (Photo by Joe Brown)

WILMINGTON — In earbrother Bill and 17 other 19-year old kids from Adams, MA, voluntarily enlisted in the US Army's newest and most unique, 10th Mountain Division. The 10th Mountain Division was the US Army's first and only division trained specifically for waging warfare in the winter, at high altitudes and in harsh terrain.

Getting accepted into Army Mountain Warfare School (AMWS) at Camp Hale near Leadville, CO, (altitude 10,150ft.) wasn't easy. Don, along with the other 10,000+ applicants each had to prove by way of three letters from local National Ski Patrol instructors and/or mountain-skilled experts that they had the basic skill sets, discipline, and tenacity to succeed and graduate from the very demanding and physically punishing 15-month training course!

In July 1944, after successfully completing AMWS, Don and the entire 10th Mountain Division relocated to Camp Swift near Bastrop, TX, for advanced combat tactics training prior to deploying to Italy.

Later that summer on the recommendation of his Commander, Company Capt. Bill Bowerman (who co-founded Nike after the war), Don was selected to attend Infantry Officer

Candidate School (IOCS) ly 1943, Don Linscott, his in October 1944. The hope was that Don would return to the 10th in time to lead forces in Italy, but it was not to be.

After graduating from IOCS in January 1945, 2nd Lt. Don Linscott was reassigned as a Platoon Leader in the US Army's 98th Division that was training in Hawaii for the eventual, "Normandy-style" invasion of the main Japanese islands!

After the Japanese surrendered following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, 1st Lt. Linscott deployed as a Railway Transportation Officer in the 3rd Military Railway Service, to assist in the reconstruction of Japan's home islands.

He returned to the U.S. in October 1945 and was discharged from active military duty in August 1946. Major Donald A. Linscott retired in 1967 after a 20+ year career in the Massachusetts National Guard. As of Oct. 1, 2022, he's the last known living WWII 10th Mountain Division veteran in New England!

▶ At the Blaire House, Don Linscott celebrated his 100th birthday recently. Here he is, cutting the cake with assistance from **Activities Director Deb** Ditullio.

(Photo by Joe Brown)



Local students named to Dean's List at Bryant University

SMITHFIELD, RI -Bryant University pleased to recognize the students named to the Fall 2023 Deans' List.

To earn a place on the Deans' List, students must have a GPA of 3.4 or better for at least 12 semester hours of work. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!

- Anthony Angiuoni of Wilmington
- Brendan Ardito of Wilmington
- Matthew Ardito of
- Wilmington • Brian Barry of Wil-
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- · Amanda Broussard of

- Wilmington • Charles Maiella of
- Wilmington • Maryjane Martin of
- Wilmington
- Carrina Barron of Tewksbury
- Mia Gaglione of Tewksbury
- Shawn Manson of Tewksbury

• Patrick O'Mahony of Tewksbury

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OPINION



Letters to the editor

'Stacking' the board not a good approach

To the editor.

As we approach the annual town election, I feel compelled to address two topics of conversation among voters. As a soon to be former elected official, I believe I am uniquely qualified to speak to both subjects. And I feel compelled to call things like I see them.

First, I've heard from numerous sources that there is a rumored effort to "stack the Select Board" with friendly faces by an incumbent office holder. That is never a good approach as it denigrates the power of democracy and disrespects the intelligence of voters.

It is not a coincidence that many properties in town, especially commercial properties along Rt. 38, have campaign signs for the same two candidates who are the subjects of this rumored effort.

I have also heard that voters are being misled to believe they need to vote "the ticket." This type of effort, if true, should be roundly defeated at the ballot, as it is an affront to your absolute right of choice.

Second, as a multi-year chairperson of the Select Board, I know full well how the selection of a chairperson is made. It is disturbing to hear that the jockeying for the job has already commenced as I write this letter, with at least one

new member and possibly two not yet even determined by voters.

Again, this is purportedly initiated by an incumbent, and while voters have no direct say in who the chairperson will be during the upcoming April 9 Select Board meeting, the five board members who will own the decision should seriously consider how they want to be perceived by our community.

This especially applies to the new member(s) sitting for their first meeting that evening. I remind the board members that one among them still has the cloud of uncertainty of a criminal court case pending and unresolved.

While everyone is entitled to the presumption of innocence, our town and our highest elected board, should not ignore that plain fact in choosing the chair of this important body. Choosing a chairperson facing serious charges at this time, regardless of the ultimate outcome, is not the appearance that Tewksbury should want.

I urge our Select Board members to think long and hard about the implications of that critical first vote. The legacy of the board, and each member on it, may be forever associated with that decision.

> Sincerely, Todd Johnson

Healey-Driscoll Administration awards \$180K to Wilmington to improve water supply demand

BOSTON — The Healey-Driscoll Administration announced it has awarded \$2.3 million in grants to help seven communities with water sources in the Ipswich River Basin optimize their water supply and treat for per- and polyfluoroalkyl compounds, known as PFAS or "forever chemicals" due to their persistent nature.

The grants are part of an effort by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) to maintain and improve access to clean and safe drinking water.

"Resilience and sustainability begin at the local level," said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Rebecca Tepper. "While the Ipswich is one of the state's most popular rivers for recreational activities, it's also the drinking water source to more than 350,000 people in nearby communities. Our administration is pleased to support projects that help protect this important resource."

The grant program will be administered by Mass DEP to guide near-term action items to address challenges to water quality, as well as longer-term management efforts. Initiatives are focused on addressing water contaminants such as PFAS and connecting water supplies for emergency backup, treatment efficiencies and other needs.

ciencies, and other needs. "While the importance of clean and abundant drinking water is obvious, the solutions can be complex." said MassDEP Commissioner Bonnie Heiple. "We are proud to support communities and water suppliers in working together to design and construct infrastructure to preserve current supplies, build interconnections to share neighboring supplies, and address PFAS contamination through new treatment works.'

The following commu-

nities and water suppliers were awarded funds:

Hamilton, Wenham, Salem Beverly Water Supply Board (SBWSB) - \$232,490

Modeling and Connection to SBWSB

This project will analyze, permit and design a new interim water supply connection between Hamilton and Wenham to ensure a supply from the SBWSB on an emergency and possibly a long-term basis. This project will also analyze and produce a conceptual design of available treatment strategies for removing PFAS from Wenham's two groundwater sources.

> Town of Wilmington -\$180,200

MWRA Connection

This project consists of planning and 90 percent design (including drawings and specifications for civil and mechanical design elements, geotechnical, structural, electrical, and instrumentation and controls) of a booster water pump station to increase capacity of the town's Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) connection so that Wilmington can supply water to their maximum daily demand.

> Town of Ipswich -\$493,112

PFAS Treatment

This project reimburses the town for steps taken to develop a new water treatment plant, which will address limited treatment capacity, including PFAS. The new treatment plant is being designed with capacity to treat additional sources of water quality and quantity in the Parker River Basin, improving the opportunity to reduce the town's reliance on its river basin sources. This project also funds monitoring wells around a potential new water source outside of the Ipswich River Basin.

Lynnfield Center Water District (LCWD) - \$695,000 Construction of an Al-

ternative Source Interconnection

This project consists of the construction of the vault and associated system components to connect the Wakefield and LCWD systems. This includes: a 21-foot by 7.5foot concrete, below-grade vault; approximately 200 feet of 8-inch transmission pipe; valve for controlling flow through the interconnection; venturi meter for measurement of flow; and sample station and associated instrumentation and controls.

Lynnfield Center Water District (LCWD) -\$75,000

LCWD Admission as an MWRA Member Community

This project will assist the District in applying for and meeting the requirements of a MWRA membership, including all necessary certificates and permits.

Lynnfield Center Water .

District (LCWD)
\$540,025

Design Addition of PFAS Treatment to Glen Drive Water Treatment Plant

The grant will fund engineering design of the Granulated Activated Carbon treatment system configuration at the Glen Drive water treatment plant to remove PFAS contamination in drinking water sources in the Ipswich River Basin.

Lynnfield Center Water District (LCWD) -\$84,100

Design of Station 2 Raw Water Pipeline for PFAS Treatment

This project will fund a portion of the infrastructure design of a raw water pipeline from LCWD's source at Station 2 (Main Street) to the Glen Drive Water Treatment Plant and associated pumping upgrades to allow for the treatment of PFAS.

"More than 350,000 people in the Ipswich River Basin depend on the riv-

er and its tributaries for drinking water, but the river itself continues to face major threats to its ecosystem and sustainability," said State Senator Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester), Senate Minority Leader. "Fortunately, communities in the region are working together as never before to properly manage the water drawn from the river and maximize the benefits and resiliency of this irreplaceable resource. Doing so means investment in critical infrastructure, and these grants will go a long way in helping municipalities afford to take the needed steps to ensure that their residents can continue to have reliable drinking water supplies that are efficiently captured, stored, and deliv-

"Water is elemental," said State Representative Kristin Kassner (D-Hamilton). "These grants will be transformative, not just to those recipients of the grants but to all of the communities within our region as we work toward connections to improve distribution and solutions to equitable water management and water quality for us and our environment."

For more information about the Ipswich Water Supply and PFAS Program, please visit Mass DEP's program webpage. MassDEP's mission is to protect and enhance the Commonwealth's natural resources — air, water and land — to provide for the health, safety and welfare of all people, and a clean and safe environment for future generations. In carrying out this mission, Mass DEP commits to address and advance environmental justice and equity for all people of the Commonwealth, provide meaningful, inclusive opportunities for people to participate in agency decisions that affect their lives and ensure a diverse workforce that reflects the communities served by the agency.

Firecracker 5K and Family Fun Run June 27

WILMINGTON — The Wilmington Fourth of July Committee would like to invite you to participate in our Fourth Annual 'Firecracker 5K & Family Fun Run' as we celebrate the community and country during our 42nd annual Fun on the Fourth Celebration at the Wilmington Town Common.

The Race will be on Thursday, June 27 at 6:30 p.m. The race will be professionally chip timed by RaceWire and there will be t-shirts and medals for participants. After finishing, participants are encouraged to enjoy live music on the town common. Participants are encouraged to

register before April 30 in order to take advantage of the discounted early registration fee.

You can sign up today at https://firecracker5k2024. racewire.com! If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the Fourth of July Committee at fofcommittee@gmail.com.

New this year — you can sign up for the Wilmington Community Series to receive a discounted registration bundle for both our Firecracker 5K and our NEW Fall Fest 5K at the same time! More information on the Fall Fest 5K can be found here: https://fall fest5k.racewire.com/.

Three Wilmington students named to Dean's List at Tufts University

MEDFORD — Tufts
University recently announced the dean's list
for the Fall 2023 semester. Dean's list honors at
Tufts University require
a semester grade point
average of 3.4 or greater.

• Aaliyah Abel of Wil-

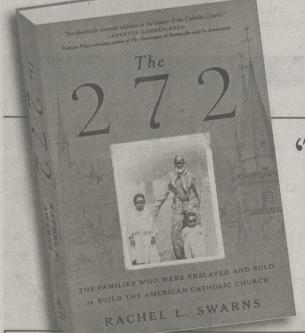
mington, Class of 2025
• Alex Flynn of Wilming-

ton, Class of 2026

• Evy Miller-Nuzzo of Wilmington, Class of 2024 Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States. Tufts enjoys a global reputation for academic excellence and for the preparation of students as leaders in a wide range of professions.

A growing number of innovative teaching and

research initiatives span all Tufts campuses, and collaboration among the faculty and students in the undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs across the university's schools is widely encouraged.



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'This is hard history' on April Book Stew

Eight years ago, in April 2016, New York Times reporter Rachel Swarns received a forwarded email from an alum of Georgetown University, the first college established by the Catholic Jesuit order in America. The author of the email discovered that not only had the order owned five Maryland plantations where enslaved people toiled, but in 1838, 272 of them had been sold to keep the university from becoming insolvent.

The astounding product of seven years of research, Rachel's history book, "The 272," is the subject of the April Book Stew episode, hosted by Eileen MacDougall.

The interview covers the rationalizations used by the Jesuit fathers, who strove to fulfill the spiritual needs of the plantation workers, while ignoring the impact of slavery on their bodies and the horrifying act of splitting up their families.

Please check out the new Book Stew episode on WCTV on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m., and Saturdays at noon. Also available on demand, via the links below:

YouTube: http://tinyurl.com/bookstew124-yt Soundcloud podcast: http://tinyurl.com/book-

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Emily M. (Babine) Dukus Loved to travel here and abroad

kus, age 101, a life-long resident of Wilmington, passed away at home surrounded by her loving family on April 1, 2024.

Emily was also born at home in Wilmington on Jan. 29, 1923; she was the cherished daughter of the late Joseph and Florence J. (Surette) Babine.

Emily was the beloved wife of the late John E. "Curly" Dukus, devoted mother of Rose Henneberger and her late husband Richard of Eagan, MN, Nancy Park and her husband Kenneth of Loudon, NH, Sharon Havens and her husband Peter of Brookline, NH, and the late Joan Brothers and her late husband John (Lenny) of Tewksbury.

Loving "Gram" of Christopher Brothers and his wife JoAnn, Pamela Thomas and her husband Neil, Sharon Blais, Kenneth Park Jr., Gregory Havens, Joseph Havens and his wife Alyssa, Caroline Gomez and her husband Joseph, Jesse Havens, and the late Andrew Havens.

"Gram Dukus" to her great-grandchildren, Jake, Brent and his wife Kait-

Emily M. (Babine) Du-lyn, Madison, Hayleigh, Allison and her husband Zack, Jennifer, Allden, Jaiden, Landon, Colton, Alexis, Andrew, Maria, and great-great-grandchildren, Duke, Lily, Nathan, and Mackenzie.

Emily was the dear sister of May Jones of Wilmot Flat, NH, the late Rita, Henry, Edward, Bernard, and Jean.

She is further survived by her nieces, nephews, their families and extended Welsh family.

Emily was a woman of faith who had a genuine love for people and animals. She loved celebrations with her family where she would enjoy games, laughter and making memories.

Having lived 101 years, Emily loved to travel both domestically and abroad and witnessed many historical events. She weathered storms that we have only read about.

With her sense of humor and spirited personality, she embraced many in her straightforward way.

Family and friends will gather during visiting hours at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middle-



sex Ave. (Rt. 62) Wilmington, on Friday, April 5 from 4 to 7 p.m. There will be a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Thomas Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, on Saturday, April 6 at 10 a.m. Interment Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Emily's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or online at www.stjude.org/ donate

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at www.nicholsfuneralhome.

▲ Laura Sultan, Susan Nelson Spencer, Danica Johnston, and Anthony Berryhill engage with audience inquiries at the Education 2.0 Conference in Las Vegas, shedding light on the vital skills crucial for student success in today's dynamic job market. (Courtesy photo)

Shawsheen administrator Johnston receives Education 2.0 Conference **Outstanding Leadership Award**

LAS VEGAS, NV -Danica Johnston, Academic Director at Shawsheen Valley Technical School, has been honored with the Outstanding Leadership Award by the Education 2.0 Conference. Recognized for her steadfast commitment to revolutionizing education, Johnston has been a catalyst for transformative change at Shawsheen during her four-year tenure.

The Education 2.0 Conference serves as a platform for uniting passionate educational visionaries dedicated to advancing academic landscapes. Over the course of three days, the conference fosters an environment where committed individuals convene to discuss challenges and best practices in the education sector.

A cornerstone of this event is its exclusive recognition session, designed to commend exceptional individuals who spark positive change. The conference website articulates the program's aim to celebrate "visionary minds and inspire the emergence of more such voices." From a selection process encompassing over 4700 nominations, Johnston emerged as one of only 134 individuals recognized across three award categories: Outstanding Leadership, Visionaries, and Young Leadership.

Johnston's receipt of the Outstanding Leadership Award underscores her exemplary leadership and was nominated by a previous award recipient. The application process involved responding to five essay questions, meticulously aligned with the award assessment rubric, where Johnston achieved a commendable "A" grade.

While Massachusetts boasted several honorees, Johnston stood out as the sole vocational school administrator from Massachusetts to be recognized at the conference. As part of her commitment to the event, Johnston also contributed to a panel discussion titled, "Upskilling and Reskilling for Career Transitions: Meeing the Demands of Evolving Industries."

Alongside esteemed panelists Laura Sultan, Susan Nelson Spencer, and Anthony Berryhill, Johnston emphasized the critical role of continuous learning in navigating today's dynamic job market.

During the award ceremony, Johnston's biography brought Shawsheen Valley Technical School and vocational education into the national spotlight. Her recognition was a culmination of several key initiatives, including spearheading co-teaching to ensure equitable access to programming for all students, establishing Professional Learning Communities to foster collaboration across academic and vocational domains, and most notably, developing an English Language Learner (ELL) program within a single year.

Under Johnston's leadership, Shawsheen students not only surpassed state standards but also thrived within an inclusive learning environment.

The Shawsheen Valley Technical School community takes immense pride in Danica Johnston's recent recognition and receipt of the Education 2.0 Conference's Outstanding Leadership Award. Furthermore, the administration expresses gratitude for her impactful leadership as a changeagent within the district.



▲ Danica Johnston, Academic Director for Shawsheen Tech, was honored with the Outstanding Leadership Award at the Education 2.0 Conference. (Courtesy photo)

Planning Board pushes for Town Meeting to support MBTA Communities district

By ROSALYN IMPINK **News Correspondent**

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Planning Board met on Monday, March 25, 2024 at town hall to discuss the status of MBTA Communities zoning, a law passed by the state legislature and signed former Governor Charlie Baker in 2021.

The board previously voted to send the Main Street A district (Oakdale Plaza to Heathbrook Plaza) to Town Meeting following a successful state compliance review.

Towns have a deadline of Dec. 31, 2024, to adopt compliant zoning, and so failure to approve the district at Town Meeting in May could necessitate a second vote at special Town Meeting in the fall, which, combined with an extensive review process by the state Executive Office of Housing and Liveable Communities, might put the town at risk of missing the deadline, being out of compliance, and losing state grant money.

"The bill itself was a response to the state's struggle to attract and retain employers and to slow or stop the mass exodus from Massachusetts, particularly among 25 to 34 year olds," said Town Planner Alex Lowder. "There's not enough housing stock for employers to feel they can comfortably expand here and expect their employees to live a reasonable distance from work."

Lowder emphasized that the law is not a mandate to build, and private property owners still must undergo the review process. Board member Vinny Fratalia asked if all units would be rentals; Lowder said that the zoning overlay would allow for a mix of multi-family housing, including condos and townhouses.

"This bylaw amendment puts the town in an advantageous position where it brings us into compliance with the law," she said, "and it offers the potential for some multi-family housing to possibly be built near grocery stores, restaurants, a gym, a dry cleaner and the post office — creating the best likelihood for a walkable community."

Board member Nick Lizotte said that it was against the town's best interest to fight the state over compliance with the

"This allows us to be an active participant in this bill and really actually have some say in how we shape the town," he said.

Member Jonathan Ciampa cited the regional housing crisis and the need for housing stock as a reason to comply with the law. Member Jim Duffy asked about the impact of the district on school enrollment; Lowder said that most new enrollment is from single family homes, not apartments.

Chair Steve Johnson reiterated his previous statement that Town Meeting should adopt the proposed district as it has been approved by the EOHLC, and noted that voters should not try to make amendments on the floor to avoid noncompliance.

"You're talking about decades before any of that space might even open up," he said, citing several successful and active businesses in the district. "We're being compliant, but you're not going to see 1,200 units suddenly appear on Main Street."

The board voted unanimously to recommend that Town Meeting adopt

New signs approved for library, senior center

By ROSALYN IMPINK **News Correspondent**

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Planning Board met on Monday, March 25, 2024 at town hall.

The board approved two family suite special permits at 215 Marshall St. and 24 Wayside Road.

The board reviewed two sign special permit applications submitted by the town for electronic message boards at the senior center at 175 Chandler St. and the library at 300 Chandler St.

Town facilities manager Vinnie Bomal explained that both sites are looking to replace their existing letterboards, which have to be changed by hand. The signs will display programming schedules. The town is seeking to follow the permitting process despite being exempt.

The signs will maintain their current size and location, and will be the same as the town common message sign.

Board members raised concerns over the brightness of the LED lights on the sign; Town Planner Alex Lowder said that town bylaws allow the board to review brightness if it proves to be an issue — the town is exempt from permitting but officials wanted the request to go through the review pro-

Bomal said the sign could be on or off at any time, and board members agreed to set the off-hours as 12 - 6 a.m. as a default. The board voted to unanimously approve both sign requests. The board also voted to approve a sign special permit for Taste of the Himalayas at 1921 Main St.

The board discussed the zoning bylaw amendments for the MBTA Communities zoning legislation to be voted on at annual Town Meeting in May.

The board discussed a site plan review and land disturbance permit application at 910 Andover St. for Melmark New England, which provides residential and educational services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The proposed educational housing development will support 16-20 residents and several live-in members of the total staff of 35 employees, and will host an additional 40-45 day students.

Attorney Christopher Vaccaro and engineer Randy Miron reviewed plans for the 4.83 acre parcel and said that traffic is expected to be limited. Plans for the campus include a greenhouse and coffee shop, which will provide opportunities for job training for students. Board members reacted positively to the design, and discussed sidewalks and water runoff.

Several residents from the Merrimack Meadows Lane condominiums raised concerns over safety and foot traffic in the neighborhood, which abuts the property, and sought the installation of a fence and prevention of Melmark students from accessing the neighborhood.

"We want to keep it for the residents," said Richard Destefano.

On the other hand, resident Donna Arvidson of Carleton Road said that a Melmark facility would provide opportunities for

tual and developmental disabilities. "I'm thankful they want

individuals with intellec-

to be a part of our community. Melmark representatives

said they would further explore safety on the campus for residents and that the project would support a vulnerable population. The board continued the item to its April 29 meet-

The board continued a site plan review application from Tewksbury Dental Associates at 1438 Main St., and a site plan review, special permit, and land disturbance permit application for Richard C. Proctor at 20 Glenwood Road/ 2551 Main St., a proposed four-unit development.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 2024. Residents may find previously recorded meetings at youtube.com/Tewks bury TV. The meeting may be viewed on Comcast channel 6 and Verizon channel 33 or attend in person at town hall.

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Upcoming local events

April 1-7, Public Health Week at the Public Health Museum, 365 East St., Narcan training, virtual programs, tours, and more. Publichealthmuseum.org

April 5, Music Bingo to benefit WOW and Billerica Cat Care Coalition. Tewksbury K of C Hall, Main Street. Tickets at erasmusicbingo.eventbrite.com

April 6, Strongwater Salutes Veterans Resource Fair, Strongewater Farm, 500 Livingston Street, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Free. Resources and community information available for veterans and their families.

April 6, Tewksbury Town Election, Polls open 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. More info at Tewks bury-ma.gov.

April 6, Pines Cemetery Tour, 11 a.m., meet at Public Health Museum. Pre-register at https:// www.publichealthmuseum.org/visit-us.html. \$15.

April 23, Friends of the Library Wine Tasting, 6-8 p.m., Oakdale One Stop Liquors, \$15 prepaid, \$20 at the door. Help support the Friends! friendstplibrary@gmail.com

April 27 at 7:30 p.m. and April 28 at 4 p.m., Ipswich River Chorus, Seasons

Concert, Union Congregational Church, 148 Haverhill St., North Reading, IRCC children's choir will also be performing a few fun pieces. Tickets(Adults \$20, Age 6-18 \$15, Ages 5 and under free) available at ipswich-river-community-chorus.ticketleap.com or ipswichrivercommunitychorus.org

Thursdays and Saturdays, Public Health Museum, 365 East St., Open for indoor and campus tours. Check website for times. Publichealthmuseum.org

Book Store Next Door, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Wilmington Public Library. All proceeds help support library programs. Next to Wilmington Public Library.

Sundays, Lowell Streetcar Museum, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Adults \$3, seniors and youth age 3-12 \$2, children under 3 are free. Cash only. 25 Shattuck St.,

Wilmington Town Museum, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Harnden Tavern, 430 Salem St. (Route 62), Wilmington

TMHS students inducted into **National Honor Society**

TEWKSBURY Tewksbury Memorial High School is pleased to announce that the following students have been inducted into the National Honor Society at a ceremony conducted on March 26, 2024.

To be considered for induction into the National Honor Society, juniors and seniors must have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.8 (weighted on a 4.5 scale), complete 35 hours of community service by the end of their junior year, provide character references, demonstrate leadership potential, and participate in a variety of school and community activities are considered for membership.

"We are very proud of our students," said Dustine Puma, TMHS History teacher and National Honor Society advisor. "I am so inspired and impressed by their talents and accomplishments. Not only is NHS made up of a variety of students who excel in academics, athletics and the arts, it is a community of generous, caring and respectful young peo-

Andrew Long, Principal at Tewksbury Memorial, commended the students on their accomplishments representative of the four tenets of the National Honor Society: character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

Principal Long, in his remarks to the students, congratulated the students and offered his appreciation for the fine work that they have done to better their school and their community and for facing the challenges of the last two years with respect, dignity, and a willingness to work together in a spirit of true collaboration. Principal Long offered his congratulations to the parents and families of the inductees for the fine role models they have been for their children.

The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony was held on Wednesday evening, March 26, 2024 at 6 p.m. in the Dr. Christine L. McGrath Performing Arts Center at Tewksbury Memorial High School.

Superintendent of Schools Brenda Regan attended the ceremony and offered her congratulations to the students as well.

National Honor Society Inductees for 2023-2024

CLASS OF 2024 **SENIORS** John Baron

Ryan Benchater Kiera Frechette Jeremy Insogna Ava Trinh Class of 2025 Juniors Lucia Alvarado Christopher Arbogast **Emalee Boyce** Madison Burke Abigail Cadman Samantha Cason Salvatore Catanzano Vanessa Chen Erin Costello Gabrielle Couillard Anya Cranston Olivia Cueva Jocelyn Delorey Gianna Doiron Madelyn Duggan Payton Dunn Rania Elouahi John Erskine Helen Flaherty Kallie Frechette Keira Gaffney Hazel Garabedian Mason Gomes **Avery Harrington** Jacy Hennawy

Brooke Khourie Ryan King Cameron Kingston Ava Konaxis Nathanael Laboy David Lam **Emily Laperriere** Brooke Leone Philip Lombardi Ella MacAllister Molly MacDonald James Maloney Claudia Melo Gregory Mercado Charlotte Morris Julia Moura Elena Pejic Kennedy Pereira Emily Picher Belen Poirier Jack Rattey Deven Ricci Alivia Ronan Zachary Russo Andrew Ryder Maya Sachdev Zachary Salvaggio Delaney Smallidge Rose Soe Abigail Solemina Makayla Stovesand Addison Tanguay Collin Todd Abigail Tower Sydney Whalen **Grace Willey** Reilly Williams Kayla Yaing Abbie Young

Sophia Zambakis

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON SELECT BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held before the Select Board in the Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road Room 9, Wilmington, MA at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 8, 2024 on the application of Jill Elmstrom Mann, Mann & Mann, PC, on behalf of ALRIG USA DEVELOPMENT, LLC to Remove Earth Products on land situated at 208 Main Street. Wilmington, MA, and further described as Parcels 178B and 178C. on Assessors' Map 44 and shown on a plan on file with the application for said permit. Gary B. DePalma

Select Board 240332 3/27, 4/3/24



TOWN OF WILMINGTON **MASSACHUSETTS**

MUNIS ERP PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Wilmington seeks proposals from qualified individuals or firms to provide project management services for the current implementation of the Accounts Receivable/Revenue and Utility Billing modules of the MUNIS Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system from Tyler Technologies and coordination of the rest of the MUNIS ERP project.

Request for Proposals (RFP) will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Town Hall, Wilmington, Massachusetts, until Thursday, April 18, 2024, at

Specifications may be obtained at the Town of Wilmington Purchasing Department website: https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/ purchasing-department. Proposals may not be submitted

The Town of Wilmington reserves the right to reject the bid or any part thereof deemed not to be in the interest of the Town of Wilmington. The Town shall not be responsible for bids arriving late due to couriers, deliveries to wrong locations, express mailing services, delays related to the processing of mail requests, or any other reason. Postmarks will not be considered.

For further questions concerning this Request for Proposals must be submitted in writing and emailed to joneil@ wilmingtonma.gov.

Louis Cimaglia IV Temporary Town Manager



TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Room 9 on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

> CASE # 4-24 APPLICANT: ALRIG USA DEVELOPMENT, LLC

REQUEST: ASKING FOR VARIANCE UNDER 10.6 TO ALLOW A LIMITED SERVICES RESTAU-RANT TO DISPLAY ITS NAME AND LOGO ON A FREE STAND-ING SIGN IN THE GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, WHERE ONLY WALL MOUNTED SIGNS ARE ALLOWED FOR LIMITED SERVICE RESTAURANTS

> CASE # 5-24 APPLICANT: ALRIG USA DEVELOPMENT, LLC

UNDER 3.8.5

REQUEST: TO REQUEST A SPECIAL PERMIT PURSUANT TO 3.5.4 UNDER 3.8.5 AND 10.5 3/27 4/3/24



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COMMONWEALTH OF **MASSACHUSETTS** THE TRIAL COURT **PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P1572EA

Estate of: Elaine L Leeds Also known as: Elaine Leeds Date of Death: 04/02/2022

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Scott B Leeds of Tewksbury MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Michael A Leeds of Tewksbury MA and Scott B Leeds of Tewksbury MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration

TOWN OF WILMINGTON **WILMINGTON TOWN HALL** 121 GLEN ROAD

WILMINGTON, MA 01887 REQUEST FOR

PROPOSALS (RFP) **EMPLOYEE UNIFORM RENTAL SERVICES**

The Town of Wilmington, MA invites proposals for "Employee Uniform Rental Services.'

Information and details of Proposal requirements will be available beginning April 3, 2024.

Specifications may be obtained

at the Town's website: http://

www.wilmingtonma.gov/. purchasing-department. Proposals may be submitted to the Town Manager's Office at the above address. All proposals

must be received BEFORE 10:00 A.M. ON MAY 3, 2024. Proposals are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30B the right to reject any or all

as amended to date. The Town of Wilmington specifically reserves proposals, or to award or not to award the contract, for any reason the Town Manager determines to be in the Town's best interest Lou Cimaglia

Temporary Town Manager 240351 4/3/24

copy of the Petition from the

Petitioner or at the Court. You

have a right to object to this

proceeding. To do so, you or

your attorney must file a written

appearance and objection at this

Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the

This is NOT a hearing date, but a

deadline by which you must file a

written appearance and objection

if you object to this proceeding.

If you fail to file a timely written

appearance and objection fol-

lowed by an affidavit of objec-

tions within thirty (30) days of the

return day, action may be taken

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CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative ap-

pointed under the MUPC in an

unsupervised administration is

not required to file an inventory

or annual accounts with the

Court. Persons interested in the

estate are entitled to notice

regarding the administration

directly from the Personal Repre-

sentative and may petition the

Court in any matter relating to the

estate, including the distribution

of assets and expenses of

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug

Cafazzo, First Justice of this

Tara E. DeCristofaro.

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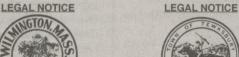
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return day of 04/22/2024.





TOWN OF TEWKSBURY **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

PUBLIC HEARING

Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on April 17, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, for a RDA application filed by Nelson Cross for activities related to the removal of trees within the buffer zone of wetlands.

The property subject to this application is located at 8 Maplewood Road, Assessor Map 40 Lot 26.

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application. please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Joe Fontaine Conservation Agent/Planner 240355 4/3/24



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P1482EA Estate of: Stephen Meiggs Also known as:

Stephen Nicholas Meiggs Date of Death: 12/22/2023

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Joseph Casiello of Middleton MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Joseph Casiello of Middleton MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised adminis-

IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a

copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/17/2024.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED **ADMINISTRATION UNDER** THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE

CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this

Date: March 20, 2024 Tara E. DeCristofaro. Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT ESSEX. SS. CASE NO 24 MISC 000081 (GHP)

Christopher Hernandez and Jose B. Hernandez

Cornerstone Mortgage Corp. also known as Cornerstone **Mortgage Corporation**

TO: any stockholders, officers, creditors and any other persons claiming any interest in Cornerstone Mortgage Corp. also known as Cornerstone Mortgage Corporation ("Cornerstone"), a dissolved Massachusetts corporation with a former principal place of business in Tewksbury, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or their heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors

You are hereby notified that a complaint has been filed by the above-named plaintiff in which you are named as an interested party. This complaint concerns a parcel of land in Saugus, Essex County, in said Commonwealth being known as and numbered 15 Laurel Street; title to said parcel is clouded by a paid-in-full but improperly discharged mortgage of record. Jan M. Kent and John S. Kent granted a mortgage ("First Mortgage") to defendant Cornerstone Mortgage

Corporation on June 17, 2003, and recorded with the Essex County (South) Registry of Deeds ("Registry") on June 26. 2003 in Book 21107, Page 456, encumbering said property. The Kents subsequently granted a refinance mortgage ("Refinance Mortgage") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. ("MERS") dated February 17, 2011. The plaintiff contends that the proceeds of the loan underlying the Refinance Mortgage were used to pay off the First Mortgage in full. On February 24. 2011. MERS executed a Discharge of the First Mortgage ("Discharge"), recorded with the Registry on March 2, 2011 at Book 30268, Page 159. The Discharge, though executed by MERS without indication of any entity on whose behalf MERS may have been acting, includes at its start reference to GMAC Mortgage LLC ("GMAC"). Plaintiff suspects that the First Mortgage was at some point sold to GMAC without the recording of a proper assignment of mortgage to reflect the sale. Because there is no record assignment of the First Mortgage from the defendant to GMAC or MERS, the defendant remains the mortgagee of record, and plaintiff contends the Discharge is or may be ineffective because it was executed by a party outside the record chain of title to the Property. Plaintiffs seek a judgment discharging the First Mortgage, that the plaintiffs hold title to the property free and clear of any claims of the defendant, and for all other relief the

This complaint may be examined at the Land Court, Boston, Massachusetts, or online at www.masscourts.org. Information

court deem appropriate.

on how to search Land Court dockets is available on the Land Court website: www.mass.gov/ how-to/find-a-land-court-casedocket. A copy of said complaint may also be obtained from plaintiff's attorney.

If you intend to make any defense, you are hereby required to serve upon the plaintiff's attorney, Kurt F. Stuckel, Esq., whose address is 17 Grant Street. Stoneham, MA 02180, an answer to the complaint on or before the sixth day of May, 2024, next, the return day, hereof, and a copy thereof must be filed in this court on or before said day.

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for relief demanded in the complaint. Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13(a), your answer must state as a counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiff which arise out of the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the plaintiffs' claim, or you will thereafter by barred from making such claim in any other action.

It is ORDERED that notice be given by publishing a copy of this notice once in The Tewksbury Town Crier, a newspaper published in Tewksbury, Middlesex County, in said Commonwealth, at least thirty days before the sixth of May, 2024.

Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of the Land Court, the twenty-fifth day of

> /s/ Deborah J. Patterson Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

Proud to bring manufacturing jobs to Wilmington

LEATHER FROM PAGE 1

ship their products out of leather sourced only in the US. Morton said that they employ about 15 people, many of whom are family and friends, and a mix of part- and full-time.

He also included that many of their employees have come from different fields before joining manufacturing. For example, Jason Angelini was in the Army National Guard beness, and Morton worked on a merchant ship.

Morton said that he's proud to make a small difference bringing back American manufacturing jobs in Wilmington. He highlighted their employees are unionized.

The shop is not a storefront - although Marketing and Advertising Manager Leah Angelini said their dream would be to open a storefront one day.

fore he started the busi- Instead, customers can place orders online and choose either in-store pick up or delivery. Their customers end up mostly being local unions and businesses.

> While their first big item they made was a leather wallet, they've since expanded their offerings. More recently they've found success selling belts and personalized dog collars. They also make card holders, journals, custom

logo hats, and sheets and holsters for hammers, axes, and more.

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Morton shared that their business has been growing lately thanks to success at local shows such as the Topsfield Fair, where people can feel the leather

in person. He also said that the company joined the Wilmington/Tewks-W bury Chamber of Com-M merce which has broughtso further support.

Angelini added that the company runs four social media accounts: Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, and TikTok.

They welcomed anyoned to join their team or check out their products on their

Shriners Circus is back with an all-new show

WILMINGTON - Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, the Shriners Circus is back with an all-new show. Presented by the Aleppo Shriners at the Shriners Auditorium in Wilmington, the circus returns for ten shows during April school vacation.

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Teachers present field trip to Galapagos Islands

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2024 trip.

WHS Spanish teacher Meghan Burns, Environmental Science teacher Jessica Daly, and Chemistry teacher and Science Curriculum Team Leader Julie Kim presented on a proposed student field trip to the Galapagos Islands.

Both Burns and Kim said that the students had a great time in Peru and wanted to set up another trip using the same travel company who delivered a good experience.

Kim detailed that students who have completed a science course or are enrolled in a Spanish course will be eligible for this trip. They would take an eight-hour flight followed by a two-hour boat ride to the islands.

Burns mentioned that

they would explore environments including craters, lava tunnels, a tortoise breeding center, a volcano, the beach, the Darwin Research Center, and a market.

Kim assured the committee that the chaperones would send daily emails and post Instagram highlights with photos. The cost they had come to with the travel company was just under \$4,000 per person. They were proposing the trip take place next April and limiting the registration to 30 students.

A few high school students attended the meeting to share their excitement to explore new areas and see exotic ani-

M.J. Byrnes asked about fundraising opportunities, and Burns mentioned the fundraisers they offered for the Peru trip and also setting up a fundraising page. Kim also said that they were planning to meet with interested students the following week to discuss financial aid.

Stephen Turner suggested they target students who had not gone to Peru, given that families may only be able to afford this type of a trip once. The committee then approved the field trip.

In his report, Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand shared they selected Michael Walsh to be the next principal for the West Intermediate School pending contract negotiations. He named some of Walsh's experience in public education, then as an assistant principal and dean of climate and

culture. The committee also discussed the topic of school choice. Brand mentioned

formally decide whether to participate in school choice according to Massachusetts General Law, and that in reality only a handful of districts do.

His current recommendation was the town not participate in school choice for next year. However, the committee needed to have a public hearing and officially

Turner clarified that Wilmington students can elect to go to another district that does participate in school choice, but this program allows nonresident students to come to Wilmington. He also asked whether the reimbursement is still \$5,000 per student, which Paul Ruggiero confirm-

Jesse Fennelly wondered what high school principal Ryan Gendron

that the committee must thought of the recommendation. Brand shared that Gendron supported implementing the high school schedule change to gauge the impact on scheduling before considering school choice.

Dr. Jenn Bryson commented that she really wanted to see the committee consider it this year, because she didn't think this was a good enough excuse.

Turner said that he had sympathy for Gendron's opinion, and he would be a lot more inclined to participate if the reimbursement rate increased. Assistant Superintendent Christine Elliott

shared an update on the parent/guardian university scheduled for April 6 with an overview of the schedule for the keynote and sessions. She said they tried to incorporate interesting topics including artificial intelligence and social media, the new literacy program, and navigating Wilmington. She also mentioned that it was open to anyone in the community.

Brand lastly delivered an update on the joint town hall/school administration building including that the construction will restrict parking through June and then the parking lot will be off limits until the fall. Ragsdale said he looked forward to getting district staff into appropriate working spaces.

The only update from the Policy Subcommittee was that they had been editing policies which would come up for review in the future.

Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday

Building Committee to submit choices to MSBA

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consideration. As they do so, they must include one alternative from each grade configuration, one alternative from a renovation, one from a new construction, and one repair alternative from the current building.

Some of the criteria that they would use to narrow down the selection include the quality of education, site, restrictions around future use, community, sustainability, construction logistics, total time to address all needs, and consolidation.

Brand said that the educational program plan showed the existing conditions of all three schools. As part of this process, the WSBC must consider

buildings up to code, expand, or renovate. In doing so, they reviewed each school objectively in many areas, and there were a number of areas where all of the schools in consideration were rated poor or fair.

Brand added that the WSBC will vote on the short list of consolidation options on April 3, and that this information will be submitted to the MSBA as part of the preliminary design plan later in the month. After submitting this plan, the town will move into the next phase of the program.

Then, they will continue to work with the design team and identify a single preferred option over the summer. A pre-

what it takes to bring the ferred schematic report is due to the MSBA by the end of August. The design would be presented to the MSBA in September and voted upon at their Oct. 30 meeting.

While they had planned a community forum on the MSBA project on March 28, Brand announced that they needed to reschedule.

School Committee member Jesse Fennelly asked if there were any particular items that might make the MSBA Board of Directors vote against a project. Jason Boone, of Dore + Whittier, said he was only aware of one previous project that the board stopped at the schematic design phase. He assured the committee that the MSBA provides feedback at every stage.

Dr. Mike Mercaldi asked about the discussion of the WSBC relative to the estimates shared for the consolidation options. Brand replied that they didn't talk extensively about cost, but it was eye-opening to say the least.

Some of the numbers he referenced were \$29 million to renovate the Wildwood school, and \$200 million for a brand-new pre-k through grade five school.

Chair David Ragsdale said that their main goal was to narrow down the options. He said the cost estimates don't change the relative merits of options on the short list. Mercaldi commented that he thought the cost should be considered immediately, but he also didn't want them to rule out an option because it seems too expensive. He suggested the MSBA reimbursement rate could make certain options look more attractive.

Stephen Turner added that the MSBA portion would be critical. Boone also said they wouldn't really know the reimbursement rate until the following spring.

Brand asked Boone to explain why the MSBA wouldn't support renovation. He said that many of the spaces in the Wildwood wouldn't meet the MSBA's minimum guidelines; for example, having toilets inside the classrooms.

Jay Samaha commented that paying a high cost upfront would save the town money overtime, and the cost would only increase if not dealt with now.

M.J. Byrnes said, "It would be more financially prudent to have a building that eradicates the issues we've been dealing with."

Turner also said that it's clear that the Public **Buildings** Department takes great care to keep these schools in operation.

"We're at the end of the useful life of these buildings," he continued.

Brand added that the custodial staff work very hard despite many limitations.



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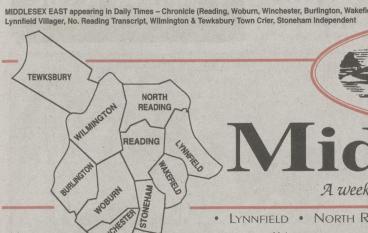
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NEVER ENDING STORY? - Top photo shows an Eversource contractor restoring a section of dug up roadway near Washington Street in Winchester. Below, Eversource officials spent the better part of two years trying to break through underground ledge deposits that stood in the way of a subsurface stream that runs underneath the busy Stoneham intersection of Elm and Central Streets. After being granted permission to work through the town's winter moratoriums on road construction, the company still failed to meet several subsequent deadlines. (Courtesy/File Photos)

declares mission accomplished after activating new 345KV conduit

Some two-years past original deadline...

By PATRICK BLAIS

Eversource earlier this week celebrated the completion of a 345KV project that involved burying a high-voltage transmission line underneath an 8.5-mile-long route that stretches through Woburn, Winchester, Stoneham, and Wakefield.

In a prepared statement sent to The Middlesex East and other area media outlets on Monday, Eversource officials declared the \$137.5 million undertaking, which broke ground in Wakefield in the summer 2018, as an overwhelming success

The new underground installation creates a redundant regional transmission line connection and will thereby increase service reliability for customers in communities throughout The Middlesex East's coverage area. The project, which was originally slated for a 2022 completion date, involved burying the new conduit underneath local roadways that sit between Woburn's Horn Pond substation to Wakefield's Junction substation by the Lynnfield border.

"We are thrilled to bring this project into service and ensure greater electric reliability in the region," said National Grid Electric New England COO Nicola Medalova in an April 1 announcement. "This project was not only the most costeffective solution to improve system reliability, it also minimized environmental impacts by working within existing rights-of-way and roadways. It will also support the current and future economic growth in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. We are deeply appreciative of the stakeholders who helped us complete this project."

"A modern transmission system that is more resilient to issues caused by climate change like increasing extreme weather is critical to ensuring reliability for customers, spurring economic development, facilitating the interconnection of more clean energy resources, and achieving decarbonization goals," added Eversource

President of Transmission and Offshore Wind Projects Bill Quinlan.

Though welcoming the news that the underground conduit is finally energized, frustrated officials in Stoneham and Winchester - whose dilapidated roadways still bear the scars from the project's extensive excavation activity - believe it might be a little premature for the utility company to start flying any "mission complete" banners.

In fact, just days ago, members of Stoneham's Select Board, who have been butting heads with Eversource officials for years now about missed project deadlines, shoddy road restoration work, and a series of other baffling project mishaps, almost refused to extend the electricity distributor's grant-of-location permit to finish the job.

Though Stoneham's latest gripe deals with the late delivery of an unrelated transformer needed for the community's new \$217 million high school (which is scheduled to open in August), town officials say Eversource performed so poorly in town on the 345KV project over the past four years that they have lost all confidence in the company.

"I'm not interested in hearing from anyone from Eversource tonight," vented Select Board Chair David Pignone during a meeting in Stoneham Town Hall last week. "The lack of hearing anything from them is so incredibly disturbing and frustrating that I'm at the point where I don't even want them in our town until we get our transformer."

"To me, it's about a lack of respect, given how many times we've had this conversation over and over again...We can never get sustained positive movement and it's incredibly frustrating," later remarked Select Board member Timothy Waitkevitch.

Ultimately, Eversource officials besides blaming the unrelated trans-

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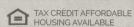
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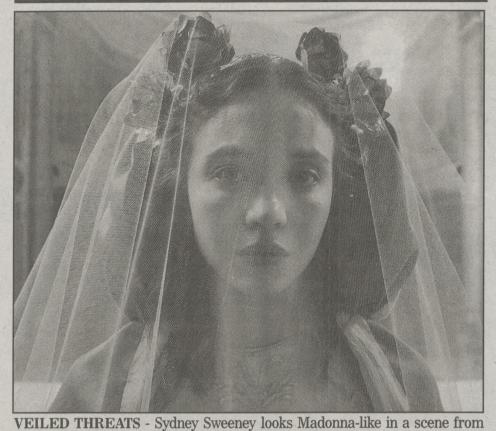
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Movie Reviews & Box Office News Sydney Sweeney in a creepy convent in 'Immaculate'



By LINDSEY BAHR

AP Film Writer

the horror film "Immaculate" released by Neon films.

It's not your imagination: Sydney Sweeney is everywhere. In the past four months, she's been in a romantic comedy that turned into a sleeper hit, a superhero movie that didn't and, as of this weekend, a bloody horror. Results have varied, quality-wise, but for someone the culture seems to want to (unfairly) pigeonhole as a specific type, she is really blowing through movie genres in record

She also happened to produce the horror, "Immaculate," in which she plays a young American nun, Cecilia, who's decided to join an Italian convent. Her character found God after a near-death experience at a young age and, after her parish closes, she gets a lifeline to go abroad and help tend to older, dying nuns. The prettiness of the new surroundings is just a front, of course, and she starts to discover some sinister happenings within the ancient walls.

"Immaculate" is a project that Sweeney originally

auditioned for a decade ago, when she was 16. If anything, it is a great showcase for Sweeney's range (she gets to go from somewhat meek to primal scream) and is full of interesting visuals, beautiful costumes and accomplished makeup work showing all manner of bloody, mangled faces and limbs. But it's also a movie that does not seem as sure of itself or the point it's trying to make.

It's not hard to make a remote Italian convent creepy, or say something provocative and interesting about organized religion quite a few horrors have succeeded here in the past. But "Immaculate" is not even confident enough to let us experience this place exclusively through Cecilia. No, it opens with a nightmarish prologue to give us a tease of what's in store for our innocent heroine, like it's a straight-to-streaming film that doesn't want you to click onto something else. Being a theatrical release, however, you have to imagine that ticket buyers are going to give the movie the benefit of the doubt and not flee 15 minutes into an 89minute run.

Or perhaps horror audiences want as much carnage and jump scares as possible - if that is the case, this should be satisfying enough. There are plenty of comically squeaky doors and close-ups of a terrified face wandering around corners in the dark by only candlelight. And the finale is fiery and violent and gruesome as well, with a very silly and perhaps unearned explanation of evthat's erything been happening. At least it's wrapped up, I guess?

(Neon via AP)

But it also doesn't stand up to much interrogation. Take, for example, its use of subtitles. Cecilia doesn't yet understand Italian so is beholden to bilingual nuns to translate - which they don't do entirely accurately or faithfully. Later, when she's being interrogated by the cardinal (Giorgio Colangeli), we the audience are not privy to any subtitles and have to rely on Father Sal (Álvaro Morte) to translate. Are we to take him at his word when everyone else has proven to be unreliable? Again, why not just trust us to be in CeHomeNewsHere

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3. In large bowl, beat cream cheese, 3 1/2 cups powdered sugar, eggs and vanilla with electric mixer on low speed until blended; scrape bottom and side of bowl. Beat on high speed until smooth. Beat in 1/3 cup melted butter until blended. Pour over cookie mixture; spread evenly.

4. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely, about 2 hours.

5. Just before serving, in medium bowl, mix strawberries, 2 tablespoons powdered sugar and the lemon juice. Let stand 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. To serve, cut bars into 5 rows by 3 rows. Top each with strawberries and a dollop of whipped cream. Cover and refrigerate any remaining bars.

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• 2 eggs

• 1 teaspoon vanilla • 1/3 cup butter,

melted

Topping

• 3 cups coarsely chopped strawberries (about 1 lb)

• 2 tablespoons powdered sugar

• 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice

• 1 cup heavy whipping

cream, whipped

cilia's shoes throughout?

This script, written by Andrew Lobel and directed by Michael Mohan, does not seem to really care much about Cecelia and what makes her tick beyond that one story from her childhood. The main nuance she gets is through Sweeney's performance, which shows us that she does have a

spark and the personality to rebel. There were some lofty ideas behind "Immaculate" that seem underserved (about bodily autonomy and such) and she gets several memorable movie star moments, but I want more for Sweeney than whatever this adds up to. She has the chops (a reminder to watch Tina

Satter's great film "Reality"), she just needs the mate-

"Immaculate," a Neon release in theaters Friday, is rated R by the Motion Picture Association for "some language, nudity, grisly images, strong violent content."

Running time: 89 minutes. Two stars out of four.

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Pricing shall include shipping and delivery costs, insurance, and warranties for the equipment purchase. Offloading, hoisting, rigging, field assembly and testing, and other onsite work will be procured separately in accordance with applicable laws. The contractor selected by RMLD to perform onsite work will be required to utilize the equipment supplier's authorized installers for warranty purposes.

Sealed proposals shall be submitted to the Reading Municipal Light Department, 230 Ash Street, Reading, MA 01867, ATTN: Maureen Sullivan, marked IFP 2024-04 no later than 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1, 2024. Proposals will then be opened and read aloud publicly in the RMLD Spurr/AV Room. Late proposals will not be accepted.

RMLD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive deviations and informalities, modify specifications, negotiate price and contract terms, purchase items from multiple vendors, accept any proposal in whole or in part even if it is not the lowest price, and otherwise award the contract as RMLD deems to be in its best interest, as determined by RMLD in its sole discretion.

Proposals shall remain valid and binding for sixty (60) days, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excluded, following the submission deadline. No agreement shall be valid or binding on RMLD unless duly executed by RMLD.

RMLD will make reasonable efforts to review and process proposals promptly. However, RMLD shall not be liable for any delays in acting on a proposal.

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Reading Municipal Light Department

LEGAL NOTICE

IFP 2024-14

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, § 56D, the Reading Municipal Light Department (or "RMLD") seeks proposals for the purchase of the following:

Linemen Tools

Sealed proposals shall be submitted to the Reading Municipal Light Department, 230 Ash Street, Reading, MA, 01867, ATTN: Purchasing Department, no later than, 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at which time all proposals will be publicly opened and read in the RMLD Spurr/AV Room. Late proposals will not be accepted.

Proposal documents may be obtained via email request to poleary@rmld.com. For questions or further information, please contact Paula O'Leary at 781-942-6440.

RMLD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive deviations and informalities, modify specifications, negotiate price and contract terms, purchase items from multiple vendors, accept any proposal, and otherwise award the contract as RMLD deems to be in its best interest, as determined by RMLD in its sole discretion. RMLD also reserves the right to purchase the equipment from a statewide contract or other procurement options authorized by G.L. c. 30B.

Proposals shall remain valid and binding for sixty (60) days, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excluded, following the submission deadline. No agreement shall be valid or binding unless duly executed by RMLD or RMLD issues a purchase order signed by an authorized representative of the

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ECLIPSE PICNIC

View the 2024 Eclipse at Tewksbury Library

A total solar eclipse will be visible from many parts of the United States on Monday, April 8, 2024. While no location in Massachusetts will experience totality, some parts of the state will see over 95% coverage of the sun if weather permits. All ages are invited to TPL's Eclipse Picnic for a viewing of the 2024 total solar eclipse on the library's back lawn. This event starts at 2:00pm and totality is projected just before 3:30pm. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own chairs and snacks to enjoy during the event. Registration is required at www.tewksburypl.org.

Free glasses will be available to attendees at the allages Eclipse Picnic. Unable to attend the event? Stop by the Reference Desk beginning Monday March 25th, while supplies last, to pick up your own eclipse glasses.

While supplies last, only one pair of glasses is available per person, with a maximum of two pairs of glasses per family.

Do not look directly at the eclipse without proper eye protection! Without a proper solar-filter, viewing a total solar eclipse is unsafe to do through a telescope, binoculars, or camera lens. Learn more directly from NASA here about how you can safely view this year's total solar eclipse. Remember, the library's Eclipse Picnic takes place outside in the backyard and sun protection is always recommended for any library event taking place outdoors.

In the event of inclement weather, this event will be

Visit www.tewksburypl.org for more fun resources,

including printable activities for younger learners. Looking for great music to soundtrack your eclipse experience? Log-in to a free Freegal Music account using your TPL card to check out the new themed playlist link on the library's web site..

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122 Drake Rd was sold to Killam, Matthew R and Killam, Rosalind M by Sulfaro, Jaclynn K for \$1,275,000 on 03/11/24

22 Eugene Rd was sold to Haig Inguilizian RET and Inguilizian, Haig V by Horne RT and Horne, Joan M for \$752,000 on

23 Long St was sold to 23 Long Street LLC by Sharon A Brace RET and Howlett, Susan L for \$560,000 on 03/13/24

30 Washington Ave was sold to Lee, Tzer-Sen and Lee, Duan I by Antonietta and Patalano Irt Patalano, Raymond A for \$780,000 on 03/15/24

126 Wilmington Rd was sold to Levinson, Kabren F and Levinson, Emily E by Boris, Stephen for \$616,000 on 03/12/24

LYNNFIELD

12 Ivanhoe Dr was sold to Zepaj Development LLC by Keefe Richard J Est and Keefe, Paul M for \$600,000 on 03/15/24

900 Lynnfield St #A1 was sold to Hood, Robert and Hood, Stephanie by Leblanc F and Leblanc, Raymond L for \$835,000 on 03/15/24

NORTH READING

1 Central St was sold to North Reading Town Of by Nancy E Wheeler RET and Wheeler, Nancy E for \$650,000 on 03/15/24

33 Park St was sold to Goyette, Grace E and Richards, Alexander R by True, Sarah for \$585,000 on 03/15/24

READING

36 Abigail Way #3004 was sold to Cheung, Joseph C and Cheung, Ida C by Santo Jr, Richard J and Santo, Barry F for \$459,900 on 03/13/24

142 Bancroft Ave was sold to by Dicarlo, Marco P by R&n Cleary Rt and Casey, Kathleen E for \$800,000 on 03/15/24

16 Taylor Dr #2003 was sold to Li, Yaxiang and Wu, Xiaoying by Ha, Jeonghoon and Baek, Hongwoo for \$760,000 on 03/11/24

81 Walnut St was sold to Cwabs Inc and Bk Of Ny Mellon Tr by Fitzgerald, Thomas P and Bank Of New York Mellon for \$817,967 on 03/12/24

29 Wilson St was sold to Zhang, Xiaoli and Dong, Yuefang by Grassa, Michael and Dawson, Lily for \$649,900 on 03/15/24

STONEHAM

28 Keene St was sold to Patel, Jaykrushna B and Patel, Rekha by Don Q Re Development LLC for \$1,250,000 on

159 Main St #6A was sold to Barahona, Brad by Kathleen RT and Keating, Edward M for \$332,000 on 03/12/24

15 Pond St was sold to Hurcombe, James W by Hurcombe, William J for \$120,000 on

114 Westwood Rd was sold to Jain, Siddharth S and Rajkumari, Bijayasana D by Lepke, Daniel C for \$830,000 on 03/12/24

TEWKSBURY

1440 Andover St was sold to Divers, Sadler by Kling Ft and Orsula, Lynda J for \$600,000 on 03/15/24

16 Charlotte Rd was sold to Flores, Francisco by Taylor, David and Taylor, Diane for \$549,000 on 03/12/24

71 Evergreen Rd was sold to Pappas, Nicholas P and Pappas, Michele L by Campanelli, Christopher and Campanelli, Christine A for \$830,000 on 03/13/24

45 Leisa G Dr was sold to Valeri Jr, Richard P and Valeri, Felicia M by Ward, Glenn T and Ward, Dianne M for \$825,000 on 03/15/24

80 Lynnes Way #80 was sold to Kerwin, Kara by Guarino, Richard and Guarino, Nele for \$390,000 on 03/13/24

170 Main St #106 was sold to Pickering Interfaces Inc by Aa Premier Prop T and Aalerud, Nicholas for \$335,000 on 03/13/24 170 Main St #107 was sold to Pickering Interfaces Inc by Aa Premier Prop T and Aalerud, Nicholas for \$335,000 on 03/13/24

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170 Main St #109 was sold to Pickering Interfaces Inc by Aa Premier Prop T and Aalerud, Nicholas for \$335,000 on 03/13/24 50 Paulies Pl #50 was sold to Hogan, Sara and Folk, Melanie by Fiori, Carolyn for

\$535,000 on 03/11/24 28 Saint Marys Rd was sold to Yang,

Fujie and Moy, Jessica M by Decandia Prop Invs LLC for \$640,000 on 03/15/24

WAKEFIELD

15 Albion St #2 was sold to Martin, Sara by Suchitta, Arpa for \$680,000 on 03/15/24

WILMINGTON

74 Clark St was sold to Breen, Erica and Breen, Matthew by Mullens Ft and Breen, Donna M for \$500,000 on 03/14/24

168 Lowell St #36 was sold to Min, Chulkee and Kang, Michelle S by 168 Lowell Street LLC for \$285,300 on 03/15/24

18 School St was sold to Filho, Jose D and Fuentes, Pamela by Divers, Sadler for \$800,000 on 03/15/24

WINCHESTER

82 Church St #82 was sold to Carmona, Christopher and Carmona, Alissa by 49 Jefferson LLC for \$1,375,000 on 03/14/24

5 Herrick St was sold to Heenan, Daniel and Heenan, Yvonne by Ciotti, Glenn J and Ciotti, Lori G for \$2,399,000 on 03/13/24

85 Loring Ave was sold to Fujiwara, Takahiro and Fujiwara, Tomoko by Fitzpatrick, Cameron M and Ryan, Courtney for \$1,250,000 on 03/15/24

200 Swanton St #L30 was sold to Abbatinozzi, Marie by Barabush Jr Arthur N Est and Barabush, Ann for \$360,000 on 03/14/24

32 Woodside Rd was sold to Dzelme, Raimonds A and Masucci, Lori by Shepherd, Samuel S and Shepherd, Sunny M for \$1,303,000 on 03/11/24

WOBURN

4 Fairmount St #4B was sold to Deng, Lifeng and Guo, Sophia X by Burbank Real Estate LLC for \$910,000 on 03/13/24

26 Hammond Pl #26 was sold to Liu, Shufen by Spera, Jo-Ann and Spera, Cheryl for \$585,000 on 03/15/24

4 Heritage Dr was sold to Pratt, Samuel F by Rahmeier, Lynne J for \$960,000 on

03/15/24 2 Stratton Dr #1407 was sold to Calderon, Cristina by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$245,500 on 03/13/24

2 Stratton Dr #402 was sold to Clarke, Davis A by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$734,110 on 03/12/24

2 Stratton Dr #1309 was sold to Coufos, Stephan and Coufos, Aikaterini by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$839,050 on

2 Stratton Dr #301 was sold to Kraut, Susan M by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$775,285 on 03/14/24

2 Stratton Dr #1308 was sold to Patel, Rajendra D and Patel, Nazli by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$664,925 on 03/12/24

2 Stratton Dr #1303 was sold to Reddy, Varsha S and Prabhu, Siddharth by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$745,310 on 03/13/24

2 Stratton Dr #1307 was sold to Thomas, Justin by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$558,400 on 03/14/24

45 Washington St #45A was sold to Singh, Amarpreet and Ghuman, Komal by Roy Cudmore Ent LLC for \$950,000 on 03/15/24

13 Watson Ln was sold to Haver, Thomas and Haver, Christine by Savage, Robert D and Savage, Micha K for \$1,500,000 on

110 Winn St was sold to 110 Winn St Realty LLC by Borselli Group LLC for \$3,580,000 on 03/14/24

Worcester St was sold to 10 Poole St Woburn LLC by Procopio Ft and Corbett, Frank for \$30,000 on 03/14/24

EVERSOURCE FROM B1

former issue on a prolonged supply-chain backlog involving the equipment's manufacturer - pointed out that almost all outstanding 345KB project work relates to restoration of the roadways that were excavated and temporary patched over the past four years.

Ultimately, the Stoneham officials did vote to extend Eversource's grant-of-location permit through April 15.

'We're working on restoration right now and without your help, we can't do that. Basically, what we have to do now is appease or respond to the Town of Stoneham's requests to have [its roads repaved and sidewalks replaced]," said Eversource project manager Jeffery Ciceron.

Late last month, Winchester officials also described their relationship with Eversource during the 345KV project and the recent installation of another 115,000 volt transmission line as rocky at times. They also pointed out that major repaving activity remains outstanding along their limited section of the project route.

"I see repaving will be from [Cross and Marion Street] towards Main Street and then there's improvements by Davidson Park and Washington Street," said Winchester Select Board member Anthea Brady during a March 25 meeting, which coincided with the very day the 345KV line was officially energized. "I know from the previous paving on Washington Street, there's some puddling we have when it rains where the bike path hits Washington Street. Is anybody looking into that?'

"It's not coming any time soon," later acknowledged Winchester DPW Director Bob LaBossiere, referring to that mitigation work. "There's a lot of work we have to do for the restoration."

Missed deadlines and mishaps

Though Winchester officials appear to have improved their relationship with Eversource officials towards the end of the 345KV project, Stoneham's leaders have long made clear that they have lost all patience with the company.

In fact, last February, Stoneham Select Board member Raymie Parker called upon her peers to take their case to the Mass. Department of Public Utilities (DPU) to make sure local residents and businesses never have to endure such hardships again.

"There were alternate routes that could have been less impactful, not only for Stoneham, but also for Woburn and Wakefield," said Parker. "I think it's important we let them know how this project has effected us. It might not do anything [for us], but it could help another town down

When town officials first learned about Eversource's 345KV plans back in 2015, Stoneham's Select Board - as well as officials in Woburn and Winchester - urged the utility company to consider alternate routes, including an option to bury the line along I-93. Stoneham officials ultimately allocated more than \$120,000 to contest the proposed route, but in 2018, the town's Select Board capitulated in the fight after realizing the Mass. DPU's Energy Siting Board was prepared to override any local permitting denials.

In Stoneham, Eversource excavated three major thoroughfares in town in order to bury the high-voltage cable, including the entirety of Montvale Avenue from the Woburn line to Main Street, a portion of Route 28 by Stoneham Center, and the entirety of Elm Street from Main Street to the Wakefield line.

Ultimately, Eversource officials broke ground on the Stoneham leg of the 345KV project in the late spring of 2020, when most Massachusetts' businesses were still locked down due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since that time, the town has granted Eversource eight project permitting extensions.

Stoneham's relationship with the utility company first began fraying in the fall of 2021, when general contractor McCourt Construction began experiencing difficulty in drilling through massive ledge deposits by Main, Elm, and Central Streets.

In fact, those unexpected underground that the contractor called in a specialized drilling team from the midwestern United States to jack a hole underneath an offshoot of the Aberjona River that runs underneath Central Street by Elm Street. Ultimately, that big rig ended up suffering from repeated mechanical breakdowns.

Eversource, despite being granted permission to work through the winter months, didn't make it entirely past that obstacle until the fall of 2022.

Meanwhile, a series of other mishaps and missed deadlines ensued, including:

• A contractor's poor performance in Nov. of 2022 on road restoration efforts along Elm Street to the Wakefield line, which Eversource has since promised to do over sometime this spring or summer;

· A second instance of shoddy repaying activity by the intersection of Elm, Central, and Main Street in September of 2023. That project was considered so egregiously mismanaged that town DPW Director Brett Gonsalves disqualified the responsible contractor from ever again bidding on road projects in Stoneham;

• Eversource's subsequent failure in the fall of 2023 to repaint crosswalks and traffic lanes in a timely fashion along portions of Main Street between Montvale Avenue and Elm Street, which is considered a major route to the town's middle school;

 Multiple missed deadlines for completing the installation of a major stormwater culvert on Montvale Avenue. The work, originally set for a spring of 2023 completion date, didn't get finished until late December of 2023;

· News late last year from Stoneham-Bank officials that Eversource's contractor, after inking a deal to use six parking spaces in the community financial institution's parking area off of Montvale Avenue, instead took over the entire lot, excavated and installed water pumping equipment there without permission, and in an ultimate slap in-the-face, failed to pay its agreed upon lease fee after overstaying its welcome for weeks-on-end;

• News in January of this year that Eversource's contractor had accidentally failed to install a shallow manhole installation for a communication line on Main Street and would likely need to dig up the busy roadway again in order to correct that oversight.



"4EVERFAB" - BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND

Beatles multimedia event in Burlington on April 4th

Burlington Historical Society is delighted to bring FRAN HART home to Burlington to perform with his band, "4EverFab" on Thursday, April 4.

The presenter, Fran Hart, is the founding member of The Beatles Tribute Band. rock formations proved such a problem The performance combines live music with a multimedia presentation, not only the music of The Beatles, but the influence they exerted in every area of the cultural landscape. Their music is timeless and appeals to fans in every generation.

> We meet at The Human Resource Building, 61 Center Street. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the program begins at 7:00 pm.

All are welcome! No admission fee and we are handicap accessible.

(978) 664-2101 \$11.97 Vodka 1.75 L \$29.89

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Tewksbury Police Log

Two separate arrests made for OUI liquor

Monday, March 25

2:50 p.m. - Police reported a deceased hawk by the second entrance near the railroad track at North Street School. Animal control notified.

4:39 p.m. - Loss prevention reported a Hispanic male wearing gray sweatpants/blue hoodie/red hat in diaper aisle concealing items at Walmart. Loss prevention reported they apprehended male and were in their office. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

Tuesday, March 26

12:13 p.m. - Walk-in reported receiving unwanted phone calls from an unknown party at Eagle Drive. Police sent. The caller was dialing the incorrect num-

10:28 p.m. - Caller repor-

ted noise complaint at K&S Fence and Contractors Yard on going issue. Police sent. All quiet. Business in darkness, no equipment running.

Wednesday, March 27

1:56 a.m. - Caller would like an officer to check the area since their dog was growling at the window and front door at Catamount Road. Police sent. Officer checked the area. Nothing was found.

8:50 a.m. - Caller reported two men with bright yellow jackets carrying a brown bucket/trash bin walked out of the caller's driveway and dumped the bucket near end of driveway at Whipple Road. They got into two pickup trucks, multi-colored but mostly red with white lettering and left about 15 minutes ago toward Lowell. Police sent. Nothing was found and no signs of anything being poured down the drain. It was a landscaper the caller hired.

4:10 p.m. - Anonymous caller reported two suspicious vehicles in the area of Parker Avenue and Green Street. Police sent. Nothing found in the area.

4:15 p.m. - Caller reported a black Nissan Sentra was driving erratically before seeming to follow a white sedan at Main Street and Victor Drive. Caller stated the Nissan driver appeared to be upset. Police sent and the area was checked.

7:43 p..m - Caller reported she and her neighbor heard a single gunshot in the area of North Street. Police sent. Nothing out of the ordinary. Units would hang out in the area for a

little bit. All was OK on Powerline Road.

Thursday, March 28

12:01 a.m. - Caller reported a black SUV driving slow, put wrong directional turn signals on, swerving, heading inbound to Tewksbury from Lowell on Whipple. Police sent. They reported gone on arrival.

12:55 p.m. - A 911 caller reported he was accosted by staff at Walgreen. Police sent. Officer spoke to parties. It was an argument over a coupon, report to follow.

Friday, March 29

3:02 a.m. - Caller reported a car hit a pole, party out walking around and the pole snapped at base at Candler Street. Police sent. Nathan Lussier, 20, of 16 Briarwood Road in Lowell, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, and marked lanes violation.

12:52 p.m. - A 911 caller stated male party has been asked to leave at 7-Eleven and was arguing with him. Male party, black jacket, green bike. Police sent. Ambulance transported to Saints Hospital.

11:07 p.m. - A 911 caller reported erratic driver almost hitting the guard rail on the high at Hilton Garden Inn, pulled into the hotel, was parked in a spot, and was hitting the curb, reverse, and pulled forward. Police sent. Jhordan Mercedes, 32 of 44 Inman St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor and negligent

Saturday, March 30

operation of motor vehicle.

9:34 a.m. - A 911 hang up at 7-Eleven. Voicemail came back. 911 caller called back and reported person possibly wouldn't leave the store at first but eventually walked out. Police sent. Male was served a no trespass order in hand. Officer filed report.

12:29 p.m. - Staff reported a teenager hit another teen in the head and he had been dizzy since at Tewksbury Public Library. Fight happened around 11:45 a.m. Teens were separated, however, caller believed other teen was still in the library. Police sent.

Officer filed a report.

5:07 p.m. - A 911 caller reported she had tracked her stolen dirt bike at Clark Road. Police sent. No bike was found.

7:09 p.m. - A 911 caller reported two males attempting to gain entry to a box truck at Longhorn Steak House. Police sent. Vehicle belonged to male on scene. He lost the keys and was looking for them.

8 p.m. - Caller reported white work van parked at the end of the road with the lights off at Edgewood Road. Female got out and started walking toward Shawsheen Street. White female with dark hair wearing all dark clothing. Male left toward Shawsheen with lights off. Police sent. Nothing showing.

Sunday, March 31

5:26 a.m. - Front desk reported someone slept in bathroom for 15 minutes at Fairfield Inn. Caller stated door was locked and potentially a homeless male. Police sent. They conducted a courtesy transport to Residents Inn. Officer filed a report.



Wilmington Police Log

Saugus resident arrested following alleged gun incident

Friday, March 22:

6:49 a.m.: Freddy E Fabian Lora of 158 Concord Road, Apt. #D24, in Billerica, was issued a summons for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, a number plate violation, and operating an unregistered motor vehicle. This followed a stop of his black 2011 Honda Accord on Salem Street.

9:04 a.m.: Richard Phillip Capozzi of 409 Main St., in Saugus, was arrested for assault with a dangerous weapon and improper firearm storage under an extreme risk protection order. This followed a caller at a warehouse on Woburn Street stating another employee had a gun on property and was making references to workplace shootings.

1:26 p.m.: Miles Brown of 12 Maplewood Ave., in Tewksbury, was issued a summons for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and not having a valid inspection sticker. This followed a stop of his gray 2004 Chevy Silverado on Main Street.

Saturday, March 23:

6:56 a.m.: A single car motor vehicle accident was reported prior to exit 38 on the I93 NB highway involving a black 2017 Toyota Rav4. Airbags were deployed, and one person was complaining of injuries. Andover police ended up taking over the situa-

6:42 p.m.; A two-car motor vehicle accident was reported prior to exit 35 on the I93 NB highway. No

injuries were reported, and state police ended up dealing with the situation.

11:58 p.m.: A caller at the Burger King on Lowell Street reported that an employee at the Burger King took her money after she ordered her food, but then shut the window, turned off the lights, and stated they were closed.

Sunday, March 24:

8:18 a.m.: A caller on Nichols Street reported that his house had been egged the night before.

1:30 p.m.: An employee at the Dunkin' Donuts on Middlesex Avenue reported that a customer driving an Enterprise rental truck had rolled into a stop sign, knocking it down.

Monday, March 25:

8:27 a.m.: A resident at Pouliot Place reported that a rented gray 2023 Nissan Rogue had been stolen from their driveway sometime overnight. The vehicle was located in Bil-

11:11 a.m.: Luis Ramon Beltre Carmona of 62 Pilling St., in Haverhill, was arrested for unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. This followed a stop of his brown 2010 Honda CR-V on Main Street.

2:01 p.m.: Jhoan Manuel Calderon Garcia of 28 Elm St., Apt. #1, in Lynn, was issued a summons for unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. This followed a stop of his white 2006 Honda Civic on Lowell 2:52 a.m.: Darlene Marie

Tuesday, March 26:

Murphy of 77 Edgelawn Ave., Apt. #8, in North Andover, was issued a summons for a subsequent offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and failure to stop/yield. This followed a stop of her gray 2020 Jeep Grand Cherokee on Concord Street.

5:51 a.m.: Teathrath David Men of 185 Branch St.,

Apt. #5, in Lowell, was issued a summons for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and operating an unregistered motor vehicle. This followed a stop of his red 2022 Mitsubishi Outlander Sport near the Jiffy Lube on Main Street.

11:44 a.m.: A caller on Concord Street reported that a tractor trailer unit struck three separate parked and unoccupied vehicles in the back parking lot.

Wednesday, March 27:

2:57 p.m.: A brown 2014 Toyota Rav4 and a gray 2017 Toyota Prius Prime were involved in a two-car motor vehicle accident on Lowell Street. The cars sustained minor damage, and police assisted with paperwork exchange.

5:18 p.m.: Victor Cruz Correa of 315 Turnpike St., in North Andover was issued a summons for three counts of shoplifting by asportation. This followed loss prevention at the Target on Ballardvale Street reporting they wished to terminate an employee and press charges against him for past acts of shoplifting.

Thursday, March 28:

6:33 a.m.: A brown 2003 Toyota Camry was involved in a one-car motor vehicle accident just prior to exit 33 on the I93 NB highway. One party reported a headache, and state police ended up handling the situation.

4:36 p.m.: Ismael Ferrer of 289 Hildreth St., in Lowell, was arrested for OUI-Drugs, a marked lanes violation, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle. This followed a caller reporting that an Amazon van was driving very erratically all over the road on Woburn Street.

7:52 p.m.: A caller at SLG on Main Street reported he was at his former workplace trying to retrieve his paycheck, and his boss was refusing to let him in the building. Soon after, another 911 call came from his boss at SLG, reporting that the man had been let go and was refusing to leave, and was pulling on a locked door outside the facility. Peace was able to be restored, and property was

Two convicted in connection with series of investment fraud schemes, one involving a Wilmington resident

WOBURN — Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan has announced that Robert Ross Reinhart and Clarissa Rodriguez have been found guilty of defrauding multiple victims of approximately \$169,000 and other property over the course of six years.

From 2007 through 2013, Reinhart and Rodriguez presented themselves as financially savvy, sophisticated, experienced and very successful people who could provide investment advice and assistance with various projects to others. These projects included plans to redevelop property and promote and market inventions. Ultimately they did not deliver and instead left the victims bereft of their assets.

"Robert Ross Reinhart and Clarissa Rodriguez engaged in a pattern of deceit and dishonesty over the course of their criminal scheme. For years, they preyed on victims who trusted them and believed their businesses to be legitimate. Tragically, as we see in many scam cases like this one, the victims were left having suffered highly personal losses including inheritance, an engagement ring and even theft of money from a bank account belonging to a 13-year-old girl," said District Attorney Ryan. "This case serves as a reminder of the sophisticated lengths to which scammers will go to in order to earn victhe work of the investigators who worked diligently to unravel the defendants' crimes despite their use of multiple aliases and wide spread reach across multiple states, to get to today's conclusion."

On Feb. 22, 2024 Robert Ross Reinhart was convicted by a Middlesex Superior Court jury of 11 counts of larceny over \$250, two counts of attempted larceny over \$250, and one count of larceny under \$250. He was also deemed a common and notorious thief and sentenced to eight to ten years in state prison, followed by three years of probation. He was ordered to repay his victims \$169,000 in restitution. The Court ordered his

sentences to run consecutive with a one- to twoyear state prison sentence that he was already serving for attempting to pay a witness \$500 to influence his testimony. A Superior Court jury found him guilty of that offense in December of 2023,

Clarissa Rodriguez was convicted by a Middlesex Superior Court jury of five counts of larceny over \$250. She was also deemed a common and notorious thief and was sentenced to four to five years in state prison.

Some of the scams conducted by the defendants include:

· Charging two inventors a total of \$55,000 for

tims' trust. I applaud marketing advice and product research for two separate products that was never delivered.

> Convincing another victim to drain the bank accounts she shared with her husband and held for her 13-year old daughter so that Reinhart could "invest" the cash. Reinhart also convinced this victim to obtain more cash for him to "invest" by refinancing her paid-off automobile. The defendants also stole her wedding jewelry under the guise of having it appraised and safeguarded, after which Reinhart pawned it for \$125.

> Reinhart solicited donations to support a bogus organization called "Missing Persons Bureau, Special Investigations Unit," purportedly doing business in Washington, D.C., The Unit supposedly would attempt to solve the 1977 disappearance of a 14year-old girl from Townsend.

> During this scheme Reinhart personally solicited a contribution from the mother of the missing girl and at-tempted to convince the town to pay over \$11,000 in phony "expenses" for his "investigation."

> In October, 2013 the branch manager of the Wilmington Citizens Bank called police to report that he believed one of his customers was being victimized in a scam and that Reinhart had been in the

bank seeking to ensure that a deposit to be made by one of his "investor" victims into the account of a sham corporation he had formed could be immediately wired out of the account to another account he control-

Wilmington Police determined that the transaction was suspicious, arrested an individual that Reinhart sent to the bank to withdraw the money, after which Reinhart went into hiding under various aliases in New Hampshire.

Following the 2013 incident, a comprehensive investigation led by the Middlesex District Attorney's Office with assistance from the Wilmington Police, the Chelmsford Police, and the FBI's New England Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory resulted in Robert Ross Reinhart and Clarissa Rodriguez being charged with multiple counts of larceny in Woburn District Court in early 2013. The investigation continued and in late 2014, a Middlesex County grand jury indicted the defendants for those charges and related financial crimes.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Graham Van Epps, Michael Klunder, and former A.D.A. Doug Cannon. The victim witness advocate was Lori Riccio.



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▲ The Wilmington High baseball team talks strategy on Monday against Winchester.

(Photo by Doug Hastings)

Wildcats start with a memorable win

Balter's pitching, Harper's RBI leads baseball past Winchester, 1-0

By DOUG HASTINGS
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Maybe a lopsided, blowout victory would have been a little easier for Wilmington High baseball coach Matt McManus to deal with, but the secondyear Wildcat skipper sure was happy after Monday's season opener against Winchester.

Behind a dominating five innings of work on the mound by junior Ayden Balter and two scoreless frames of relief by senior Noah Spencer, Wilmington edged the visiting Red and Black by a 1-0 score.

"Pitching is our strength," said McManus. "We're going to have to grind out some wins like this."

"It was a good pitching duel today," said Winchester coach Ed McDonald. "They just made one more play than we did."

The 'Cats scored the only run of the game in the bottom of the first inning and then saw their defense take care of the rest.

The Wilmington first started when Eric Spinney reached on an error and Michael Dynan walked.

ed.
Senior captain Austin
Harper then smacked a
base hit to left to plate
Spinney. Wilmington ended up with runners on second and third with one
out, but Winchester junior
starter Alex Casey struck
out Brian Banks and then
induced a foul pop up to
sophomore catcher Ronan
O'Connell to end the

The pitcher's duel didn't feature many solid scoring chances for either side.

Winchester actually had a baserunner in every inning but one, but couldn't put much together against Balter.

With two outs in the first, O'Connell singled and Casey walked before Balter got senior first baseman



▲ Ryan Gray faces a pitch against Winchester.

Ryan Azzara to ground out to Dynan at second base.

Balter then took over.
The next eight outs recorded by the Wildcats were strikeouts as Balter fanned the side in the second and third innings, allowing only a two-out single to right by junior Jeffrey Nace. He finished with 10 strikeouts in all.

"Early in the season, guys haven't had a lot of opportunities to see a lot of live pitching," McDonald said. "And then we had to see (Balter)."

"His ceiling is so high," McManus said of Balter. "He's got velocity, he's starting to get a feel of his breaking ball and we're trying to get him more comfortable with the changeup because he's going to need that at the next level. He's just a gutsy kid. He goes out there and

grinds it out."

A one-out walk to Azzara in the fourth was sandwiched by a pair of strike-outs before Winchester senior Gus Sendlenski smacked a hard liner to

right that was caught by a charging Wildcat Connor Lovell. If Lovell didn't make the catch, the hit likely would have gone for extra bases and scored Azzara.

Azzara.

In the fifth, Winchester managed a two-out single by Antonio Zermani, but Dynan scooped up another grounder with a runner on second to end the inning.

With Spencer in for relief in the sixth, the Red and Black challenged to tie the game.

(Photo by Doug Hastings)

O'Connell led off with a bloop single to left, went to second on Casey's squibber up the first-base line and took third on Azzara's grounder. Spencer escaped the inning when Banks cleanly fielded a grounder to third by senior Jack Centurelli and Balter made a nice tag at

ior Jack Centurelli and Balter made a nice tag at first to end the threat. "We had some guys in scoring position with two outs," McDonald said.

"We just couldn't get that two-out hit." In Winchester's seventh,

Sendlenski grounded out to Banks before Nace's hard ground ball up the middle was knocked down on a great play by Dynan, who then made an errant

throw to first.

Sophomore Mitchell Collins's swinging bunt up the first-base line saw Balter make a nice defensive play when he flipped to Spencer for out No. 2, but Nace moved into scoring position.

Zermani was Winchester's final batter and his line drive to right was caught by Lovell to end the game.

"I was very happy with our defense," said McMan-

us.
Winchester's defense wasn't perfect, the Red and Black committed four errors in the field, but the visitors flashed some leather behind Casey as well.

"He pitched a hell of a game," McDonald said of Casey. "I thought he had great command."

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Winchester pulled off a nice 6-4-3 double play to end the second with Zermani at short and junior Connor Pandolph at sec-

Catcher O'Connell threw out Balter trying to steal second base to end inning No. 3. At the time, Wilmington had Spinney (single) on third and Balter at first.

Three errors in the fourth inning led to Wilmington having two runners on with two outs before Sendlenski fielded a grounder for a force out at third to end the inning.

Centurelli made a nice catch in center field in the fifth and two cleanly fielded grounders erased a leadoff single by Balter in Wilmington's sixth.

"They have a good ballclub," McManus said of Winchester. "Top to bottom, you have to come and play in this league."

Girls lacrosse gets it done against Tewksbury

After winless campaign in 2023, Wilmington starts season in style

By JASON COOKE **Sports Correspondent** sports@yourtowncrier.com

TEWKSBURY — It was a story the Wilmington High School girls lacrosse team was all too familiar

The clock read 9:55 at Doucette Stadium in a 7-7 stalemate between Wilmington and Tewksbury in the fourth quarter, and it was anyone's game for the taking.

Amidst last year's 0-18 campaign, this movie ended the same way every time, resulting in a heartbreaking loss in the final minutes.

But that script had a different ending this time, where the Wildcats captured their first victory since 2022. In the last two seasons, Wilmington has totaled a 1-35 record including a 0-18 campaign last spring — and is now off to a 1-1 start in coach Chris Frissore's third season at the helm in a 9-7 win over Tewksbury on

Monday. "First win in two years, basically, so it's fun," Frissore said after the win. "I'm happy for the girls. They played hard."

As for the Redmen, coach Erin Murphy's squad fell to 0-1 after their third-quarter

5-3 lead evaporated. A Tewksbury yellow card with eight minutes remaining sparked Wilmington's push, scoring a pair of goals on the advantage. Jill Collins and Maddie Sainato each recorded hat tricks for the Wildcats, as Cate MacDonald, Kiera Warford, and Gabby Kulevich rounded out the scor-

For Tewksbury, Grace Willey and Ava Nordbruch scored a pair of goals, followed by tallies from Kat Schille, Addison Tanguay, and Julia Moura.

"The penalties didn't help us," Murphy said. "Six minutes of man-down play is not helping. I think it was our first game, and maybe our nerves were a little high, and our energy was a little too high."

Collins and Sainato each found the back of the net just 11 seconds apart in the fourth quarter, quarterbacking the Wildcats to victory. Collins scored all three of her goals using her deadly speed.

"She's like the fastest girl you've ever seen," Frissore said of Collins. "Sometimes it's just get the ball to Jill and go. She's just deceivingly fast and so smooth. When a girl is on her heels, she's going to go by her. It's not even fair sometimes. She had a great game."

Sainato had a knack for finishing around the crease, as her elusiveness created separation from her closest defenders as she approached the goal. Frissore notices her increased confidence as a snapshot of the entire team.

"I think the way the offense is, is better," he said. "Right now, it's much more even, so everybody



▲ Wilmington's Hailey Spencer grabs the ground ball under pressue from Tewksbury's Grace Willey, left, and Ava Nordbruch, right. (Photo by JoeBrownPhotos.com)

can score, and everybody is looking for their shots. It's just a more complete offense. (Maddie's) got more confidence, and the people around her are more confident together."

However, it was Tewksbury's game in the first quarter.

The Redmen netted two goals to open the scoring, as Schille and Tanguay cashed in on net-front conversions to give the Redmen a 2-0 cushion with 2:42 left in the first.

Collins answered just five seconds later, buzzing the length of the field off the draw to spark what would evolve into a back and forth shootout.

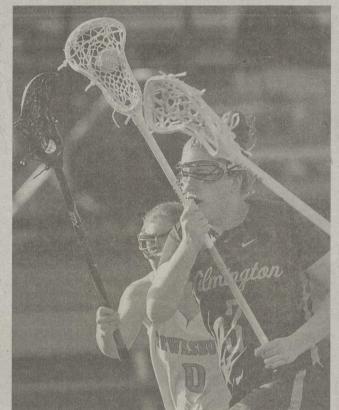
Both teams' goaltenders held their own in the shooting gallery that would transpire, as Tewksbury's Lydia Barnes (15 saves) and Wilmington's Abby Driscoll (8 saves) impressed.

"Lydia has been doing well in preseason and today," Murphy said. 'She's been doing great. I think my defense needs to communicate a bit more on our clears, of letting her know of where they are because we had some opportunities. But she's doing great.

She's really tough in net and keeping us in some close games.

"I thought she played really well," Frissore said of his goalie, Driscoll. "There was a lot of shots today, and the defense did pretty good. She did well with just being in the right position."

The rivals traded goals in the second, alternating scores in a six-minute span that left Tewksbury



▲ Wilmington's Leah Murphy concentrates on moving the ball through midfield.

(Photo by JoeBrownPhotos.com)

with a 4-3 lead headed into halftime.

Willey increased Tewksbury's margin to 3-1 with 10:16 in the quarter, taking it herself in the offensive zone to beat multiple Wilmington defenders. After Sainato pelted an overhand shot past the left hip of Barnes less than three minutes later, Schille found Nordbruch out front for the connection to get the goal right back.

It was Wilmington who got the last laugh, however, as MacDonald converted a free position shot.

Tewksbury held a 5-4 lead after Moura and Sainato traded goals in the third, which is when Frissore huddled his team together on the sidelines. "I called a timeout in the

third, and I was like, we got to get over the hump," he recalled. "We got to finish, we

can't just keep playing in close games and losing. I'm glad we got over the hump.

It's safe to say that pep talk worked.

Wilmington responded with two unanswered goals, leading for the first time in the contest on scores from Collins and Sainato.

After Nordbruch knotted the game at six to close out the quarter, the game was up for grabs.

Wilmington ultimately went on a 3-1 run in a 4:18 span, as goals from Warford, Collins, and Sainato were enough to propel the 'Cats into the win column.

Tewksbury was halted from putting the ball in the net for the last 9:55.

"They had a different defensive setup to eliminate fast breaks, but we were still trying to force the fast break," Murphy said. "We need to slow it down, take our time, and find better opportunities to make things happen as opposed to trying to force

'CATS FALL IN SEASON-OPENER

Before their pivotal win on Monday, Wilmington fell to Methuen by a score of 20-6 to kick off their season.

Leah Murphy scored four goals, and Sainato and Kulevich rounded out the offensive effort.

"It was game one, and we didn't have any scrimmages, so we let up 10 goals in the first quarter," said Frissore. "I think our defense was playing catchup and a little rusty and we let up five goals in the next two quarters. Realistically, take that first quarter away and we have a game. We play them again like I expected, and it is a game. We can play with them."

Wilmington has a busy stretch ahead, battling Winchester (Tuesday), Arlington (Thursday), and Lynnfield (Monday).

Boys lacrosse optimistic

With new coach, Wildcats anxious to return to state tournament

By JASON COOKE **Sports Correspondent**

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With a new coach and a solid core group of returners, the Wilmington High School boys lacrosse team is prepping for a fresh start on the field this spring.

John Fortes, who assisted Craig Turner's staff last season to a 6-12 record into the Div. 3 state tournament, is taking the reins

this season. "I'm excited for this season," said Fortes. "I think we have a good shot to make a serious run. If we can compete in every game, which I know we can, we'll be okay."

Fortes has lacrosse-playing experience in high school before attending Endicott College to play football. Fortes is now a

Wilmington police officer. "I relied a lot on Craig as well as the older kids and the captains," he said of breaking into the sport last season. "They definitely were willing to help me out and teach me a thing or

two." Fortes and the 'Cats will rely heavily on their captain trio of Bobby Cyr, Michael Lawler, and Charlie Rooney to lead the way through a competitive Middlesex League.



▲ The Wilmington High boys lacrosse team is anxious to make it back to the playoffs.

(Courtesy photo)

"I have high expectations," said Fortes. "We have a lot of talent and a lot of great seniors. Our three captains are great. They're great kids, and they're great players. We love having them around, they're like extra coaches on the field."

Wilmington has a wellrounded class of 13 seniors, including AJ Chisholm, Josh Jarbeau, Dempsey Murphy, Nick Iascone, Tiago Gomez, Adam Ebert,

Joey Malvone, Luca Cudia, Ali Aboukal, and Clyde Lambert. Fortes is optimistic his experienced group will be primed for another playoff appearance come tournament time.

"My philosophy is, first and foremost, I want the kids to enjoy it," said the coach. "I want them to enjoy the game and I want them to enjoy the team aspect. But I want to win and I want to win in the postseason. That's always

been a goal, even in my playing days."

The 'Cats also feature two promising incoming freshmen, Ryan Archer and Max Bagtaz, who will look to make a splash this spring. Though Fortes and his squad are well aware of what they are up against on a daily basis in the Middlesex League, they aren't backing down from the presented challenge.

"It's a very competitive league," said Fortes. "Play-

ing some of these teams last year, you saw a lot of great players throughout the league and a lot of great coaches that have established very successful programs. It's going to be tough to come in as the new guys on the block and a team that didn't do very well last year. It's going to be a challenge for us, and we're going to have to rise to that challenge.'

Shawsheen Tech Roundup:

Lacrosse beats Lowell Catholic in opener

Seven different Rams score goals in early-season showdown

By DOUG HASTINGS **Sports Correspondent** sports@yourtowncrier.com

The Shawsheen Tech boys lacrosse team started its season on Monday with an 11-5 win over Lowell Ca-

Seven different players scored for the Rams led by Chase Darcey, who had three goals and one as-

Quinn Carbone and Jack Martins each added two goals while other individual goals were tallied by Kyle Gray, Nick D'Amico, Shawn Ricchi, and Zack Timmons.

Also adding assists were Martins, Timmons and

Goalie Quinn Guinane made 14 saves in the victory.

TENNIS TEAM READY TO GO

The Shawsheen Tech tennis team opened the season on Tuesday ready to defend its Commonwealth Athletic Conference title for the fifth straight sea-

Last year the Rams were 11-1 overall.

Senior Ethan Hines will once again lead the way for Shawsheen along with fellow returning players Jasmine Johansen, Sarah Johansen, Jake Metcalfe,



▲ Wilmington residents on the Shawsheen Tech lacrosse team include (from left) Wilmington players, Justin Thibert, Shane O'Neill, Kyle (Courtesy photo) Gray, Nick Damico, Zack Timmons and Jack Martins.

Christian Rivera, Trevor ner and Tim Niles. Engel and Faith Martin.

New faces to the team include Josh Powderly, Andre Guerro, Corey Kirch-

"The team is working extremely hard," said coach Jay Tildsley. "We have been on top for the

last four years and the players are digging in deep during this pre-season and working extremely hard. Ethan Hines has a

career record of 44-2 and will be the leader of this team. We started with a goal in the offseason to be the very best and if pre-

season is any indicator, look out for these Rams."

Wilmington High Roundup:

Softball starts by blowing out Winchester

By DOUG HASTINGS **Sports Correspondent** sports@yourtowncrier.com

The Wilmington High softball team defeated Winchester in the season opener on Monday by score of 12-0.

Wilmington scored two runs in first after back-toback walks to Ali McElligott and Lily Mackenzie and two infield outs.

The Wildcats blew game open in fifth inning, scoring six times.

McElligott started inning off with a single and Mackenzie followed with single of her own before Erin McCarthy had a two-run double.

Olivia Raposa had a single and two RBIs in that inning.

In sixth Eva Boudreau had a triple and scored on infield out.

The 'Cats scored three more times in the seventh. Charlotte Forcina registered her second hit of the game and scored on single by McElligott. Mackenzie had a double, plating McElligott to complete the day for Wilmington.

Freshmen pitcher Izzy Maiella had her varsity, debut going all seven innings, allowing two hits and striking out six.

BOYS TENNIS FALLS

The Wilmington High boys tennis team lost 5-0 at Arlington on Monday.

"They are a veteran team with a strong first singles and very disciplined doubles," said WHS coach Robert Mailey.

At second singles, Sidd Karani nearly earned a point for Wilmington. Karani was up 4-2 in the

third set before cramping and ultimately falling in a tiebreaker 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 {7-1}. Wilmington played Lex-

ington on Tuesday.

GIRLS TENNIS TOPPED BY ARLINGTON

The Wilmington High girls tennis team lost to Arlington on Monday, 4-1 "Arlington is always very

good so I was happy with the one match win," said WHS coach Christina Woods.

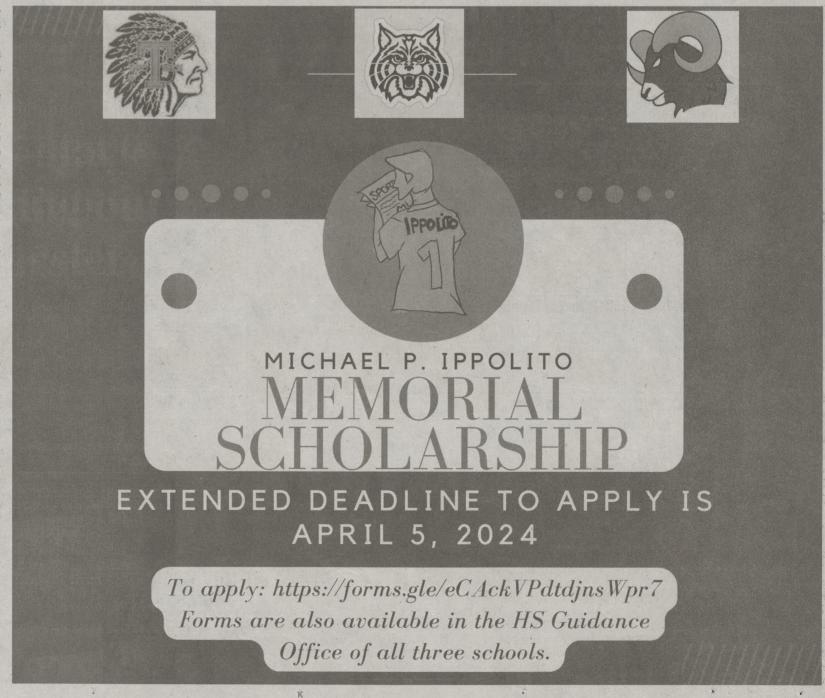
Freshman Savannah Beatrice won her match for Wilmington, 7-5, 6-4.

"She's going to be a great player," said Woods.

► Wilmington High tennis seniors include (from left) Ryan Weinstein, Anuj Gandhi, Sidd Karani, Mantvydas Banevicius, Sarthak Tripathi, Evan Woltag and Eric Packer.

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